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**SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG
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508 Medical Arts Building,
Nashville, Tennessee,
April 3, 1936.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BURKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of Special Agent
in Charge E. J. Connelley, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, April 1, 1936,
in which it was requested that all field offices check the Motor Vehicle
Registration Bureau in their respective states concerning the possible
registration of 1936 Model, 4-door Buick Sedan, Motor #63052198, serial
#2635972.

In that connection, kindly be informed that a check
of the Automobile Registration Division, Department of Finance and Taxation,
State of Tennessee, Nashville, Tennessee, failed to disclose any registra-
tion of the above described vehicle and accordingly an alarm card was placed
with the request that the Nashville Bureau Office be advised in the event that
an attempt was made to register the above described automobile.

Very truly yours,

T. M. S. APL TON
Special Agent in Charge

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio

Philadelphia File No. 7-45

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REPORT MADE AT Philadelphia, Pa.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/3/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/29, 30, 31/36	REPORT MADE BY J. L. Fallon
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. Charles Horn, Ardmore, Pa., relate that they entered into negotiations with William Winslow and D. A. Warner at Daytona Beach, Fla., during period from March 1st to 27th, 1936, whereby they were to receive proceeds from winnings of race horses at Tropical Park, Fla. Charles Horn was to advance \$40,000 to Warner and Winslow, and then receive the proceeds from the winnings, which were to be \$312,000; Warner was to furnish \$50,000 cash, and Winslow \$50,000. Same type of bunco game carried on by William E. Mead during the month of March, 1933, when Martin Wunderlich was fleeced of the sum of \$200,000. Horn is still carrying on negotiations with these parties and left Philadelphia on March 30, 1936, to contact Winslow and Warner at Daytona Beach. Miss Helen Gohl responsible citizen residing at 3037 Cambridge Street, Philadelphia. Helen Heck unknown in Philadelphia, Pa.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RECEIVED</p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Mo., dated January 20, 1936; Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Jacksonville, Fla., dated March 19, 1936; Teletype from Philadelphia Office to Jacksonville Office, dated March 30, 1936.</p>			
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DETAILS:

AT PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Mr. Charles Horn, 10 Church Road, Ardmore, Pa., in company with Mrs. Horn, appeared at the Philadelphia Bureau Office on March 29, 1936, and related the following experiences which transpired at Daytona Beach, Florida:

On or about February 27, 1936, they (Mr. and Mrs. Horn) departed from Philadelphia in their own automobile, a Graham-Paige Sedan, bearing 1936 Pennsylvania license tags 78Y10, proceeding directly to Daytona Beach, Fla. After staying at this resort for a few days, they went to the Spanish Village Court, Ridgewood Road, Holly Hills, Fla., a suburb of Daytona Beach, where they rented a cottage. About March 3rd or thereabouts, while on the beach at Daytona Beach, they were approached by a party who introduced himself as William Winslow. Several meetings were had after March 3rd, in which Winslow became very familiar with the Horns, relating his experiences on race tracks, and stating that he was from Cincinnati, Ohio; that he was acquainted with one Judge Baker, who was connected with the American Horse Breeders' Association; that he knew Judge Baker is a wealthy man, having obtained this wealth through his affiliations with a gambling syndicate in Daytona Beach, Fla.

About March 17, 1936, Winslow stated that he had seen Judge Baker in the Breakers Hotel at Daytona Beach. At the time this statement was made, Mr. and Mrs. Horn were on the beach and were talking to Winslow. A few minutes later a stranger appeared, walking past the trio, and Winslow made the remark, "There's Judge Baker now." Going directly up to this stranger, he asked him if he was from Cincinnati, Ohio; the man replied in the negative. Winslow stated that he looked so much like Judge Baker, of Cincinnati. The man stated that he knew Judge Baker, and that he was connected with him in the horse-racing game, and that his name was D. A. Warner. Thereafter, a series of conferences were had between Mr. and Mrs. Horn, Winslow, and Warner, and \$25 were advanced by Winslow on a bet on a horse at Tropical Park on a 5-to-1 shot. The horse came in first, and Warner returned to the party and displayed \$125, stating that he had a card which gave him an entree to the gambling syndicate in Daytona Beach. Later, a bet for \$1000 was placed with the same syndicate on another horse at Tropical Park on a

5-to-1 shot, and Warner returned with \$6000. It was then arranged that Mr. and Mrs. Horn and Winslow would obtain a room in the Breakers Hotel. Winslow registered for this room, it being #9 (the name in which registration was made is unknown to Horn). Warner then placed a bet through the syndicate for \$156,000 on a horse on a 2-to-1 shot. The Horns remained in the room while Warner placed the bet at Daytona Beach through the gambling syndicate. The horse came in first, and there appeared on the scene a Jewish man who stated he was ready to pay the bet, but inasmuch as Warner did not place cash for the bet and gave a certified check, which was not honored through the syndicate's auditor, that he (Warner) would have to produce the cash before the winnings could be turned over to him. The Jewish man had the money in a black zipper bag, and it was counted in Room #9 at the Breakers Hotel. Horn stated that he saw the money, and was within a few feet of same, and he is quite sure that it was not counterfeit; that the total amount was shown to Winslow, Warner, and the Horns.

Winslow stated that he could raise \$40,000 of this amount, and Warner claimed that he could raise \$60,000, and the \$6000 won on the \$1000 bet would make the total if Horn could raise \$40,000; that they would then divide the \$312,000 (this amount being the winnings from the \$156,000 bet on a 2-to-1 shot) among them. Horn, being the owner of a trust fund, which is being handled through the Provident Trust Company of Philadelphia, decided to leave Daytona Beach, Fla., for Philadelphia in an effort to obtain the \$40,000 to enter into this venture. Going as far as Jacksonville, Fla., he parked his car in the Boatright Garage, and boarded a plane, arriving in Philadelphia on Saturday, March 28, 1936, and registered in the Robert Morris Hotel, Room 812. Mrs. Horn accompanied her husband on this trip.

After due consideration was given the matter, the Horns appeared at the Philadelphia Bureau Office and related the above.

Subsequent to their arrival at the Robert Morris Hotel, the Horns received a telegram from Warner, the substance of which was that Winslow's figure was between \$45,000 and \$60,000, and that he (Warner) expected to hear from Winslow not later than the next morning, the 29th. In response to this wire

Mr. Horn forwarded a Night Letter under date of March 28th, advising that they arrived in the Robert Morris Hotel at Philadelphia, and were occupying Room 812. On March 29, 1936, at 8 P. M. the Horns received a telephone call from the Breakers Hotel at Daytona Beach, Fla., to the Robert Morris Hotel, in which Warner informed them that Winslow had obtained his part of the money, and that he (Warner) was ready to negotiate with a representative of the gambling syndicate if Horn had obtained the \$40,000. Horn stated that he would not be able to answer this question until the Provident Trust Company opened on March 30th at 9 A. M..

Descriptions of the individuals with whom the Horns had dealings will be set out later in this report.

In checking the address 3037 Cambridge Street, Philadelphia, it was ascertained that this is the home of Mr. William Gohl, and that the following persons resided in this house: Emanuel, who works for Schmidt's Brewery as a brewer; Helen, a telephone operator; George, an employee of Lit Brothers Department Store; Marie, who is the housekeeper; William, a painter, and Reingold, Senior and Junior, also painters.

Mr. I. Levin, owner of the neighborhood grocery, stated that the Gohls have resided there for the past ten years; that they are reputable people and are considered to be well thought of in this neighborhood.

At the Sub-Post Office, 18th and Norse Streets, inquiries were made, and it was found that no mail of any quantity goes to this residence. No doubt M. Gohl is Marie, who was corresponding with her sister in Florida.

The name of Miss Helen Heck does not appear in the City or telephone directories of Philadelphia.

The following descriptions were furnished by Mr. and Mrs. Horn:

Name: WILLIAM WINSLOW
Height: 5' 7"
Weight: 158
Eyes: Blue
Hair: Sandy; combed straight back
Complexion: Light; freckled
Teeth: Good
Speech: Mid-western type

Mr. Horn claims this individual is very dramatic and uses good English. At the time the negotiations were entered into, he was wearing striped trousers, black and white shoes, and a grey felt hat. He is the owner of an Oldsmobile Sedan bearing Florida license plates (numbers unknown). He stated he had an aunt living on Grandville Avenue, Daytona Beach, Fla., and that he was well acquainted at the golf course on Ridgewood Road. He smokes Chesterfield cigarettes continually, and consumes only half the cigarette and then disposes of same.

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Name: D. A. WARNER
Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 168
Age: 42
Complexion: Dark
Teeth: Good; gold edge on upper fronts
Hair: Curly; sandy
Characteristics: Smokes cigarettes; has a poker face; good dresser.

Mr. Horn stated that at the time they were in the Breakers Hotel, Warner was wearing a brown suit, light-weight with a pinch-back, which looked to be very expensive.

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(The Jewish man mentioned)

Name:	Unknown
Age:	32
Weight:	165
Height:	5' 6"
Eyes:	Black
Hair:	Black; oily
Teeth:	Not known
Dress:	Wore dark blue suit

After the aforementioned facts were given by the Horns, the Bureau was telephonically contacted, and Supervisor Foxworth instructed that a teletype be forwarded to the Jacksonville Office. These instructions were complied with, and a resume of Horn's activities in Daytona Beach was given; it also being stated that the Horns' car was at Boatright's Garage in Jacksonville, and that the Horns were willing to cooperate with the Bureau.

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JACKSONVILLE OFFICE

Will advise the results of conference had with Mr. and Mrs. Horn upon their arrival in Jacksonville, Florida, relative to the connection of William E. Mead with this confidence game.

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Addendum

At the time the Horns called at the Philadelphia Office, they were shown the photographs of all Subjects in the instant case, but could identify none of them.

1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In accordance with telephone conversation of today,
please find enclosed herewith two photograph of Fred Hunter,
alias Fred King, alias Harold King.

Very truly yours,

JIM/LTB
Enclosures (2)
CC - Bureau

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Edward J. McFarland

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New Orleans, Louisiana.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

A review of the Chicago Office file in the above-entitled case reflects the following undeveloped leads which should receive attention by your office:

The report of Special Agent C. W. Toulme, New Orleans, Louisiana, dated January 3, 1936, requested that your office, at Pass Christian, Mississippi, exhibit photographs of the subjects in this case to various individuals in an effort to ascertain the identity of the individual claiming to be a brother of Gladys Sawyer. This is considered of possible importance, inasmuch as there is a possibility that this individual might be identical with the other fugitive subjects in this case or possibly a contact for them.

The report of Special Agent J. J. Keehan, Indianapolis, Indiana, dated January 3, 1936, requested investigation concerning William Elmer Mead and companions and to obtain information concerning Harry Fisher, an alleged associate of Mead.

The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 13, 1936, requested that you conduct investigation concerning the telephone calls set out in the body of that report, which calls were made from the Harvard Club at Cleveland, Ohio.

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The report of Special Agent J. J. Keehan, Indianapolis, Indiana, dated December 30, 1935, requested investigation by your office at the race tracks concerning William Elmer Mead. It is requested that you advise this office the dates that these tracks will be open and what arrangements have been made to ascertain whether William Elmer Mead will frequent these places.

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The Jacksonville Office letter dated February 29, 1936, requested that you advise that office whether further inquiry was desired concerning an individual named Dasso.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-4

REPORT MADE AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA	DATE WHEN MADE 4/4/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/3/36	REPORT MADE BY KENNETH LOGAN
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1236, et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER * - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mrs. Carrie Lockwood, 1923 Emmett Street, Omaha, advises May Chamberlain former roomer at her home; believes telephone call from Cedar Rapids to Peoria, Illinois by May Chamberlain was to mother of Mrs. Chamberlain; present whereabouts May Chamberlain unknown.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. B. Culbertson, Omaha, Nebraska, dated 3/23/36.

DETAILS:

Mrs. Carrie Lockwood, 1923 Emmett Street, Omaha, Nebraska, advised Agent that her former residence at 420 Avenue A Northeast, Cedar Rapids, Iowa was a rooming house, and that she had numerous roomers there during the time that she lived in Cedar Rapids. She advised Agent that May Chamberlain stayed with her for a period of several months and that during the time May Chamberlain was there, she received numerous telephone calls at all hours of the day and night from local people.

Mrs. Lockwood advised, that to her knowledge, the only long-distance telephone calls made from her residence in Cedar Rapids were made by May Chamberlain to Peoria, Illinois for the purpose of contacting her, May Chamberlain's, mother; however, Mrs.

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Lockwood could not furnish the name or address of May Chamberlain's mother. She advised Agent that she did not know a Mrs. Condon; however, it was her belief that Mrs. Condon may be the mother of May Chamberlain. She further stated that May Chamberlain was separated from her husband who was presently living in Cedar Rapids on the west side of town. However, she could not furnish his first name or exact address. She also advised that May Chamberlain was the mother of two sons, one about 12 years of age and the other around 18 years. She states that when May Chamberlain left her residence that she went to Center Point, Iowa about 19 miles from Cedar Rapids to the home of a sister. However, she did not know the name of this sister.

Mrs. Lockwood advised that one Florence McCall, 611 First Avenue, Cedar Rapids, Iowa was apparently a close friend of May Chamberlain, and in the event that any further information was desired relative to May Chamberlain she would advise that Florence McCall be contacted. Mrs. Lockwood furnished Agent with the following description of MAY CHAMBERLAIN:

Age	- 38 or 40 years
Height	- 5 ft. 5 in.
Hair	- Dark
Eyes	- Dark
Weight	- Around 135 pounds
Build	- Well built

Is a good looking woman.

Mrs. Lockwood requested that in the event any further investigation is made that her name be held in abeyance as she does not wish to be mixed up in any trouble of any kind.

Inasmuch as May Chamberlain is apparently a local resident of Cedar Rapids, Iowa and the fact that her former husband is living in Cedar Rapids at the present time, and also in view of the fact that Mrs. Lockwood advised the telephone call from her residence to Peoria, Illinois was made by May Chamberlain for the purpose of contacting her mother, it does not seem advisable to conduct any further investigation relative to May Chamberlain, and none will be conducted by this office unless requested by the office of origin.

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
April 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Buffalo, New York

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

On April 1, 1936, Special Agent in Charge, J. P. MacFarland of the Cleveland Office advised the Detroit Bureau Office by telephone that Fred Hunter, present associate of Alvin Karpis, might seek employment in Detroit, Michigan, as a stick man in a dice game from either "Lefty" Clark or Fitzpatrick.

It is noted in the report of Special Agent R. E. Miller dated February 24, 1936, in the case entitled "Unknown Subjects, Merchants National Bank, Dunkirk, New York; Bank Robbery, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, Unlawful Fleeing to Avoid Prosecution" that Buffalo is the office of origin in this case and this report sets out a lead to the Jacksonville, Florida Office to ascertain the present address of "Lefty" Clark who is alleged to be living in Miami, Florida at this time.

It is requested that you immediately notify the results of the Jacksonville lead, as the present location of "Lefty" Clark is desired by the Detroit Bureau Office.

Very truly yours,

RE: RES
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H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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EL PASO, TEXAS, APRIL 5, 1936

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D. Brantley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Dept of Justice
224 Federal Bldg.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Re Brekid Jack Campbell has returned to Midland.

COLVIN

cc - BUREAU ✓
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Edward J. Brantley

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
San Francisco, California.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

The Chicago Office file in the above-entitled case reflects the following undeveloped leads for your office which should receive attention:

The summary report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated January 6, 1936, requested that your office maintain contact with the Baxter family in an effort to secure information concerning the present whereabouts of William Elmer Mead. It appears that the Baxter family is willing to cooperate, and you should make frequent contact with them. It is requested that you advise this office the results of such contacts had with this family.

The report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 6, 1936, requested that you place a mail cover on the mail of John Moyle and the Bank Cafe or Buffet, and make an additional effort to develop a contact who would have access to the Bank Buffet and information concerning Moyle and his associates, this being for the purpose of obtaining information concerning the present whereabouts of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell. It is requested that you advise what progress has been made in this regard.

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Very truly yours,

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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cincinnati
St. Paul
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 8, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

As a result of a mail cover which
has been placed on the first class mail of Louis
Nathan, 606 South Wabash Avenue, a friend of William
Elmer Head, a tracing has been received addressed to
"Lou Nathan", bearing the return address of "Ph.
Morton, 830 Wade Street, Cincinnati, Ohio," postmarked
March 25, 1936.

It is requested that appropriate in-
vestigation be conducted to determine the identity of
Ph. Morton.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edward J. O'Brien

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. BOX 1469,
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS,
APRIL 2, 1936

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There are being forwarded to the Bureau under separate cover in one or more packages, an additional number of articles and objects taken from the house near Potash Sulphur Springs, located on the highway between Malvern and Hot Springs, Arkansas, which allegedly was occupied by Karpis and associates. This place was raided by Bureau Agents and others on the morning of March 30, 1936.

The articles forwarded are more particularly described as follows:

- 1 Highway map of Washington and Oregon issued by the Dixie Tourist Court, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 1 Road map (AAA) of the eastern United States.
- 1 Package of Diamond Dyes.
- 1 Map of New Mexico issued by Conoco Oil Co.
- 1 Package Dy-o-la Dye.
- 1 Road map of Louisiana, New Mexico, Texas, and adjacent states.
- 1 Startling Detective Magazine for April, 1936.
- 1 Master Detective Magazine for March, 1936.
- 1 Inside Detective Magazine for April, 1936.
- A portion of the Tulsa, Oklahoma, World, (newspaper, dated February 27, 1936. (This contains an article relative to the arrest of Burrhead Keady.)
- A portion of the New York Daily News for March 23, 1936.
- 1 Container for Santa Oil

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- 1 Presto Syringe container.
- 1 Container for Pure Test Iodine.
- 1 Packet of matches advertising ABC Beer.
- 2 Packets of Diamond matches.
- 5 Chesterfield cigarettes.

The above described articles are transmitted in an appropriate cellophane cover.

In addition to the foregoing, there are being forwarded:

- A number of bottles
- 1 Can of talcum powder
- 3 Glass coasters
- 1 Small earthenware jar
- 1 Adhesive tape spool
- 1 Container for Wards Redhead 12 gauge shotgun shells.
- 1 Long glass tube containing medicated discs and a few other miscellaneous articles.

It is requested that the articles mentioned herein be processed in the Laboratory for latent fingerprints and that any prints obtained be compared with the prints of the following named individuals:

Alvin Karpis, with aliases
Harry Campbell, with aliases
Fred Hunter, with aliases
Milton Lett, with aliases
Grace Goldstein whose description is contained in my letter of April 1, 1936.

In the event any identifications of prints are made, it is requested that I be immediately advised.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

DB:WKB
cc Chicago
Cleveland

Cincinnati
Oklahoma City

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April 16, 1936

7-576-10370

Mr. C. Fletcher,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of April 2, 1936 covering the transmittal of various paper and glass articles and other miscellaneous specimens in addition to those previously submitted under date of April 1, 1936, which were taken from a house near Potash Sulphur Springs, in connection with the above-entitled case.

You are advised that upon examination latent prints were developed on the following specimens:

One portion of a palmar impression appeared on the copy of a Tulsa, Oklahoma World, dated February 27, 1936.
Two fragmentary latent fingerprints and one palmar area appeared on the copy of "Inside Detective Magazine" for April 1936.
Three fragmentary latent finger impressions were developed on the drinking glass.
One latent fingerprint was found on the cylindrical bottle purported to contain Houbigant bath salt tablets.

The above-mentioned latent prints were compared with the fingerprints of the following individuals without effecting an identification:

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth

Alvin Karpis, #FBI-199217
Fred Hunter, alias Fred
Henderson, #FBI-54440

Harry Campbell, #FBI-419856
Milton Lett, #FBI-1008739
Grace Golde, #FBI-619046

A sheet of plain blue, lined paper was found wrapped around the box for Kards Redhead 12 gauge shotgun shells, no mention being made in your letter of this piece of paper. This was also examined for fingerprints but none of value was found thereon. APR 16 1936

The original articles submitted by you will be returned after photographs have been made for the completion of the Bureau's files.

Very truly yours,

cc-Chicago
Mr. E. J. Connelley - Chicago
Oklahoma City
Cleveland
Cincinnati - St. Paul
AIR MAIL

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

[Handwritten initials and signatures]

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated March 2, 1936,
which sets forth a lead for the Chicago Office to ascertain
from Ed Howard, 902 South Pauline Street, the present location
of his son, Joseph Howard.

Please be advised that there is no Pauline Street
in Chicago, Illinois. There is, however, a Paulina Street.
Investigation at 902 South Paulina Street reveals that this
address is occupied by a Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Miller, who oper-
ate a small store and also reside on the premises. Mr. and
Mrs. Jacob Miller advised that they have resided at 902 South
Paulina Street for seventeen years and have never known a fami-
ly residing in that vicinity by the name of Howard.

It was determined that 902 North Paulina Street
is occupied by a planing mill, and inquiries at this place
failed to reveal that any family by the name of Howard was
known in that neighborhood.

It is noted that this address was secured from the
United States Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kansas, and it is re-
quested that your office ascertain whether an additional address
can be obtained for the parents of Joe Howard at the Missouri
State Penitentiary or the Kansas State Penitentiary, where it
is noted that Howard also has served sentences.

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Very truly yours,

7-576-16371
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

APR 14 1936

D. H. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Edward J. Brennan

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April 8, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Tom Brown;
Bill Crumbley;
Harry Sawyer.

In accordance with your request, all information obtainable relative to Tom Brown, Bill Crumbley and Harry Sawyer is incorporated herein.

On November 11, 1935 it was reported that the St. Paul Office, after interviewing Bryan Bolton, reported that Bolton learned through Fred Goetz, alias George Zeigler, that Tom Brown was to receive \$5,000 of the ransom money. Bolton informed that he had never heard of Tom Brown and did not question Zeigler when the latter stated that \$5,000 of the ransom money had been set aside for Tom Brown. Bolton alleged that he did not know the purpose of this payment and that this is the only information he had relating to Tom Brown or any member of the St. Paul Police Department having been involved in the kidnaping.

The Oklahoma City Office has interviewed Pat Reilly, former Billinger gangster, presently incarcerated in the United States Southwestern Reformatory, El Reno, Oklahoma. You will recall that Edna Murray alleged that Pat Reilly came to the apartment occupied by Edna Murray and Volney Davis on the day following the Bremer kidnaping, advising that Harry Sawyer wished to see Volney Davis at Sawyer's farm. Reilly has denied that he ever visited the Davis apartment for this purpose. It is noted, however, that he is very friendly with Harry Sawyer and advised that he would not tell anything about Sawyer that would cause Sawyer any embarrassment or trouble. He has also declared that he would furnish no information concerning Sawyer, Brown or Crumbley, even if he were in a position to furnish information. He advised that all the inducements in the world could not interest him in going to St. Paul for the purpose of testifying against anyone in this case. Of course, this interview took place prior to the trial which began at St. Paul, Minnesota on January 6, 1936, at which time Harry Sawyer, William Weaver and Cassius McDonald were tried for their participation in the Bremer kidnaping. Despite his apparent attitude of unwillingness to cooperate in the above mentioned matter, Reilly has

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advised that as soon as he is released he will make every effort to put Alvin Karpis "on the spot". This, he believes, he will be able to do because he feels that Karpis will get in touch with him. He is antagonistic toward Karpis because he feels it was a result of Karpis' activities that caused Dolores Delaney to be sent to the penitentiary for five years. Pat Reilly was sentenced at St. Paul, Minnesota on September 17, 1934 to serve twenty-one months in the El Reno Reformatory and pay a \$25,000 fine. He was also sentenced on September 21, 1934 in Federal Court at Superior, Wisconsin to serve fourteen months on each conspiracy, the sentence to run concurrently and six months on each substantive offense to run concurrently and the fourteen months' sentence to run concurrently with the sentence previously imposed at St. Paul.

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Subsequent to the aforementioned information, Jess Doyle was interviewed at the Nebraska State Penitentiary and was questioned at length concerning his knowledge of the connection between members of the Karpis-Barker gang and members of the St. Paul Police Department. He stated that he had no definite information indicating that members of the Karpis-Barker gang were kept advised and "tipped off" when raids were imminent. In general, it was Doyle's opinion that the members of the gang and other badly wanted fugitives were comparatively safe in St. Paul from police interference as long as they had the proper connections. However, Doyle stated that he did not know what these connections were or how they came about. He was questioned thoroughly as to his connection with Harry Sawyer from the time he first went to St. Paul in the late fall of 1932 until he left St. Paul in January of 1934. He stated that in the late fall of 1932, while he, Fred, "Doc" and Kate Barker resided in St. Paul, Fred Barker told him that in case he should ever be arrested or get into difficulty he should immediately get in touch with Harry Sawyer. Fred Barker did not mention what action Harry Sawyer would take in order to secure the release of Doyle should he be arrested. He did not mention the name of Detectives Tom Brown or Bill Crumbley, and Doyle stated that he could not recall any members of the gang mentioning Crumbley or Brown, in connection with the possible "fixing" of cases or tip-offs to members of the gang concerning police raids. Doyle stated that he could recall having seen Brown on only two occasions; that on one occasion while he and Fred Barker were parked in a car drinking beer at the parking lot immediately in the rear of Sawyer's place on Fabasha Street, a car drove up which contained a tall heavy set man who was driving, and who was in civilian clothes. With this man was a police officer. Fred Barker left the car and went over and engaged the two men in conversation. Upon his return Doyle stated that he is certain that Fred Barker mentioned that the tall man was named Brown. Doyle stated that he never met officer Bill Crumbley and does not know of any possible connection he may have had with members of the gang.

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In connection with the letter from the Omaha Office to the Bureau dated November 11, 1935, reporting interview had with Doyle in which Doyle mentioned that a man in the State Apprehension Bureau at the State Capitol, St. Paul, was used to tip-off the gang, Doyle stated that it was felt certain that Brown at that time held the position in charge of the State Bureau of Criminal Identification, and had an office in the State Capitol Building in St. Paul; that it was merely hearsay with him but that he understood that it was through Brown that the mob was tipped-off; that apparently the information concerning police raids was given to Harry Sawyer, inasmuch as it was the custom of the gang to immediately install a telephone in their apartments, and this telephone was to be used for no other purpose than the reception of telephone calls from Harry Sawyer concerning tip-offs of police raids. Doyle stated however, that he could not recall any occasion when a telephone call of such nature was received. In connection with the above letter in which mention is made of the fact that Doyle stated that it was his opinion that some of the "higher ups" implicated in the Bremer kidnaping had not been apprehended, Doyle stated that this statement was in answer to a question put to him by the interviewing Agent, who asked him whether he thought that all of the "higher ups" implicated in the Bremer kidnaping case had been apprehended. Doyle stated that he did not. When asked for a reason for his statement he stated that he felt certain that inasmuch as it was generally known that the St. Paul Police Department was "crooked" it was his idea, not based on any information or knowledge, that undoubtedly some members of the St. Paul Police Department had previous knowledge of the Bremer kidnaping. He stated that he had no information indicating that Brown and Crumley were in any way involved in the Bremer kidnaping.

Reference is here made to a separate report submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, setting out the activities of Doyle prior to and during the Bremer kidnaping. It will be noted here that Doyle stated that in the Spring of 1935 he became involved in several arguments with members of the gang; that he was firmly of the opinion, based on facts, that they intended to "bump him off" and as a result he was not in close contact with them and did not know that they intended to kidnap Bremer, and inasmuch as he left St. Paul on January 15, 1934 he does not have any information concerning the activities of the gang during the time that Bremer was being held.

Concerning the incident which occurred on March 4, 1935 at which time the gang is reported to have been advised of a police raid by Gladys Sawyer, Doyle stated that approximately two or three days before the above date, he, Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis had rented an apartment at 1290 Grand Avenue. Volney Davis likewise was residing in another

**Sawyer's Saloon*

apartment in the same building; telephones had not yet been installed in the apartments. At about 8 P.M. on the above date Jess Doyle returned to his apartment alone. A squad car containing three policemen was parked in front of the apartment building. As Doyle drove up to the side of the building Gladys Sawyer was standing beside an automobile, and a man was sitting in the automobile, but as it was dark he did not know who it was, although he stated possibly it may have been Pat Reilly. Gladys Sawyer asked Jess Doyle where the rest of the gang was and he informed her he did not know, whereupon she advised him that the police were going to raid the apartments. Doyle stated that he thereupon went downtown and attempted to locate the rest of the gang but failed to do so. Upon his return Gladys told him that Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis and Volney Davis had been there but had gone and that they would meet him at Harry's saloon. Contrary to Gladys Sawyer's wishes Jess Doyle entered the rear of the building and packed two suitcases. On leaving the apartment building, being under the impression that the squad car had pulled away he stated he left the building by the front entrance, and saw that the car was still parked immediately in front of the apartment building. He walked right past this squad car without being stopped by the officers. He thereupon proceeded to Harry Sawyer's saloon where he met Karpis and Fred Barker outside. He stated they told him they had seen Volney Davis, "Doc" Barker and mother Barker and that they were on their way to Chicago. They did not enter the saloon and Doyle stated he did not see Sawyer. Fred Barker, Karpis and Doyle thereupon proceeded to Chicago, Illinois. He stated that he left a wardrobe trunk in the apartment and the rest of the gang left their clothes there; that he did not know what happened to these articles subsequently and has no information indicating that these things were returned; that he never did recover his wardrobe trunk and contents. He recalls, however, that some months subsequently when he was again in St. Paul he went to Harry Sawyer's place and saw some bed linen that had been in the apartment and he was asked by one of the young fellows who worked for Sawyer and whose identity he does not know, whether they belonged to him. He stated that he denied to this young man that they were his property. Doyle stated he has no information indicating that the clothes that were left in the apartment were taken by the St. Paul Police and later turned over to Sawyer to be given back to members of the gang.

Doyle was questioned thoroughly as to his subsequent activities which he related in much the same words as contained in the written statement obtained from him upon his arrest in Kansas City in February, 1935. He was likewise questioned as to statement made by him that he saw Alvin Karpis in the vicinity of the County Jail at Fairbury, Nebraska on June 12, 1935. Doyle stated that he was brought to Fairbury on about June 15th, remained overnight in the county jail and was then transferred to the Nebraska State Penitentiary, and on June 17, 1935 was returned to Fair-

bury for a preliminary hearing, at which time several witnesses faced him. He stated that he was placed behind a barred window of the courthouse and while awaiting arrival of the witnesses he saw a dark blue 1935 four door Dodge sedan parked immediately outside, his attention originally having been attracted by the fact that a young man was sitting inside looking up from the driver's seat, at the courthouse. Doyle stated that he recognized the man as Alvin Karpis. After approximately ten minutes the young man got out of the car and walked across the street. Doyle stated he is absolutely certain of his identification; that Karpis was dressed in a gray snap brim hat and light gray suit; that he went out of sight in crossing the street and returned about ten minutes later and was still sitting in the car looking up at the courthouse when Doyle was called out of the room. On Doyle's return he stated that Karpis and the car were gone. Doyle stated that no one was with Karpis and he has no idea of the reason for Karpis' presence there other than that Karpis and other members of the gang might possibly have figured they might have an opportunity to "bump him off".

Doyle was questioned at length concerning possible knowledge on his part of contacts of Karpis and Campbell. He thereupon stated that in the Fall of 1934 while he was traveling through Missouri and Oklahoma he obtained information indicating that members of the gang were attempting to locate him. Doyle stated that he felt certain they would locate him for only one purpose and that was to kill him. On one occasion at the Sportman's Club on Southwestern Boulevard in Kansas City a bartender, when he learned that Doyle's name was Jess, stated that two men had been in the saloon a few days before inquiring for him. Doyle felt certain that these men were members of the gang, and he decided to hunt for them rather than have them hunt him. He went to South Coffeyville, Oklahoma where he contacted Al Sherwood, at that time employed by Tom Hill. Sherwood told him that Fred Barker and Harry Campbell had passed through on their way from Chicago to Florida; that they intended to visit relatives of Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma; that they inquired for Doyle and desired to know his address. Sherwood likewise told him that a man named Bill Donald whom he described identically with William Weaver, was likewise with Fred Barker; that he (Sherwood) had received a letter which he had in his possession, from Weaver, inviting him to go fishing at his place located about five or six hours from South Coffeyville. Doyle stated that Sherwood likewise stated that a slender young man who looked like an Englishman, had also stopped at his place making inquiry about Doyle. Doyle stated he felt certain from this description that the man referred to was Alvin Karpis. He stated that he had no information indicating that Volney Davis was acquainted with or visited Al Sherwood's place. However, it is to be noted that William Weaver was apprehended upon information originally obtained by Volney Davis from Al Sherwood.

Doyle was also questioned as to the statement he had made in a previous interview to the effect that Karpis had contacts from coast to coast. He advised that he had no information concerning any possible contacts of Karpis, and had no idea where Karpis or Campbell might be located at the present time.

Doyle was questioned concerning his knowledge of the Hamm kidnaping, concerning which he stated he had no information.

With regard to Charles Fitzgerald, Doyle stated that he recalled that during the Fall of 1932 while in Sawyer's saloon he saw an elderly man conversing with Sawyer; that this was the only time he ever saw this man, but that later in conversing with Volney Davis who was speaking of "Old Chuck", he recalled the man he had seen in Sawyer's saloon. Davis at that time stated that in South St. Paul bank robbery which was perpetrated on August 30, 1933 Fitzgerald was badly wounded; that one leg was shorter than the other; that Fitzgerald was taken to William Harrison's home on Waltham Street at Calumet City, Illinois and later received treatment in a hospital which he believed was located in Denver, Colorado. Doyle, however, was not certain of the location of this hospital. He stated that he had heard that Fitzgerald was considered an outstanding bank stick-up man, especially good in "casing" banks; that Fitzgerald had been a close friend of Harrison, and that both Harrison and Fitzgerald were heavy drinkers. Doyle recalled that at the time he saw Fitzgerald in Sawyer's saloon, someone was kidding him about being a big owner of real estate. Doyle, however, did not know the location of any real estate that Fitzgerald might own. Doyle was questioned as to any information he might have obtained from Volney Davis after the kidnaping of Bremer and stated he recalled that Davis on one occasion mentioned to him that Karpis had talked about going to Canada where he had relatives. Doyle likewise stated that he did not believe there was a close connection between members of the Karpis-Barker gang and the Syndicate in Chicago; that the Syndicate felt that members of this gang were "too hot" to deal with. He stated, however, that during the trial of Arthur R. Barker and others in St. Paul in the Spring of 1935, he overheard a trustee whose name and identity he did not recall, mention the fact that Harry Campbell was in St. Paul trying to get a lawyer for Wynona Burdette. Doyle had no further information regarding this statement. He was questioned concerning the possible contacts of the mob in the vicinity of Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio and other parts of the country, with negative results.

Edna Murray was interviewed at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri on December 16, 17 and 18, 1935, as is noted in separate report submitted by Special Agent D. P. Sullivan and which report

contains information of possible value in the prosecution of Sawyer and Weaver and Myrtle Eaton. Edna Murray reiterated her statement that she believed there was a close connection between Officers Tom Brown and Bill Crumbley and members of the Barker-Karpis gang. She stated that she felt certain in her own mind that it was through Brown that Sawyer was tipped-off concerning raids to be conducted by the St. Paul Police Department at apartments where the mob resided. She stated that she had on various occasions seen Brown in Harry Sawyer's saloon speaking with Sawyer and other members of the gang. She could not recall, however, seeing Brown in the company of Sawyer or any of the other members of the gang shortly prior to the Bremer kidnaping, nor could she recall having seen Brown visiting any of the apartments where the gang resided. In general Edna Murray stated that it was her idea that when Brown learned that a raid was to be conducted, he would get in touch with Sawyer who would in turn notify members of the gang so that they might move before the raid took place. Edna Murray stated that during the time that Bremer was being held, while she was residing with Wynona Burdette and Paula Harmon in the vicinity of 63rd Street and University Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, Volney Davis visited the apartment on one occasion and advised that Tom Brown was keeping the gang informed of the activities of the Bureau; that Brown had ascertained that "Doc" Barker and other members of the gang were suspected of the kidnaping, and brought pictures of "Doc" Barker and several other members of the gang to Harry Sawyer, and advised him of the Government's suspicions. She also stated that she understood from general conversations she had with Davis at that time and thereafter that Brown was to get a "cut" out of the Bremer ransom money. She recalled that in the latter part of November, 1934 when she and Davis visited Elmer's saloon in Bensenville, Illinois on the occasion when Davis obtained from Farmer the \$500.00 he had given Farmer for the purchase of a machine gun, Farmer stated to Davis that he had \$10,000 coming to him; that "Doc" Barker had stated that they had cut Brown out of his share of the Bremer ransom money. At that time Davis stated to Farmer that if that were true he would not receive \$10,000 but only his share which would be \$1,000. On an occasion shortly before this while at Kehn's Barbecue stand located on North Avenue near Elmhurst, Illinois when "Doc" Barker, Russell Gibson and Byron Bolton drove up, and while she was engaged in conversation with "Doc" Barker and Russell Gibson, "Doc" Barker stated with reference to Detective Brown: "I guess you saw where that dirty — killed Van Meter". Edna Murray stated that she understood from Davis that Brown was deprived of his share of the Bremer ransom money because he had double crossed Van Meter by "putting him on the spot". She stated that she recalled Davis advising her on one occasion that in the Spring of 1935 shortly after the robbery of the Third Northwestern Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota on December 16, 1932, for

Farmer's Saloon
(Elmer's)

Farmer Van Meter

which robbery Lawrence Duval is serving a life sentence in the Minnesota State Penitentiary, a man named Jenkins was to be put on trial for this robbery. Davis informed her that it was intended that Duval was to be brought to Minneapolis as a witness. Detective Brown notified Karpis and some of the other boys in Chicago of the route that Duval was to take when he was to be brought from the Minnesota State Penitentiary to Minneapolis, in order that the mob might make arrangements to release Duval. She stated, however, that Davis told her that the plans were made to release Duval but that they fell through because Duval was for some reason not brought to Minneapolis.

Edna Murray when questioned concerning the places visited by the mob, stated that while they were residing in Maywood, Illinois the gang occasionally visited the Moulin Rouge night club, which was operated by Joey O'Brien, Edna stating that this night club was located on First Avenue in Maywood, Illinois and was approximately one quarter of a mile north of Roosevelt Road on the right hand side of the street.

She also stated that the gang occasionally visited a night club the location of which she described as follows: From her residence at that time on Second Avenue in Maywood, they drove south to Roosevelt Road, turned left and went to the first through thoroughfare, then turned right and at the first intersection there was located on the southeast corner a place called Buck's. This place was operated by a man named Buck who was acquainted with Karpis, Campbell and other members of the gang and was apparently very friendly with them.

When questioned further as to the possible contacts of Karpis and Campbell, Edna Murray stated that she recalled that in the latter part of November, 1933 shortly before she and the rest of the mob left Reno, Nevada for St. Paul, Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney and another member of the gang, whose identity she could not recall, made a trip to Las Vegas. On their return Karpis mentioned visiting a night club at Las Vegas which was operated by a friend of his. She was not certain whether this Las Vegas referred to by Karpis was in Nevada or New Mexico. She further stated that shortly after his release from the Oklahoma State Penitentiary in 1932 Davis stayed for a while in Los Angeles where he had several friends. She stated that Harry Campbell likewise has acquaintances in Los Angeles, and indicated that Davis undoubtedly would know of these acquaintances of Campbell. She further stated that shortly before she and Davis left Sandusky, Ohio in the summer of 1934 she and Davis made a trip to Buffalo, New York. Before leaving Karpis asked Davis whether he wanted the name and address of a friend of Karpis in New York City. Davis advised Karpis at that time that he did not intend visiting New York.

Edna Murray stated that she had no information concerning other acquaintances of Karpis and Campbell and had no idea where they might presently be located; that she was not acquainted with Shimmy Patton and Arthur Heberbrand or any other acquaintances or hangouts of the gang, in the vicinity of Cleveland or Toledo, Ohio, nor had she ever heard of any woman called Edith at Toledo. She recalled having heard the name "Big" Cousins. She was questioned at length concerning possible knowledge on her part regarding the Hamm kidnaping, concerning which she stated she had no information.

Regarding Charles J. Fitzgerald, however, she stated that it was her information, obtained from Davis and others of the gang, that Fitzgerald financed the mob in the kidnaping of Bremer; that Fitzgerald at that time was living at the Eleanor Manor Apartments, 7150 Cyril Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that during the time Bremer was held Davis mentioned to her that Fitzgerald was living in that apartment; that they had intended moving into that apartment house but changed their mind because he did not desire to "turn the heat" on the apartment house by his presence there, and warned Edna not to mention to any of the rest of the gang that Fitzgerald was residing there.

Relative to the Hamm kidnaping, Bryan Bolton and Edna Murray have furnished information concerning the disposition of the ransom money in this case, together with the participation of Charles Fitzgerald, Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker, "Doc" Barker, Tom Brown, Jack Davenport, Jack Peifer and others. With reference to the division of the ransom money collected, Bolton states that Tom Brown received \$25,000. With reference to the payment of this amount to Tom Brown, Bolton said that he was the man in the St. Paul Police Department who furnished Peifer with information during the time of the kidnaping. Some discussion was then had as to whether \$25,000, less the cost of exchanging the money in Reno, Nevada should be paid Brown. It was finally decided to give Brown the flat sum of \$25,000. You will recall that Bolton stated the cost of exchanging the money in Reno, Nevada amounted to \$7,500.

Edna Murray, while incarcerated in the Ramsey County Jail, St. Paul, has also made a statement wherein she relates that early in June of 1935 she and Volney Davis were living in Maywood, Illinois. She further related her contact with various members of the Barker-Karpis gang and spoke of a cabin which was located somewhere in Minnesota in the vicinity of St. Paul. This is the cottage at White Bear Lake, Minnesota where members of the Barker-Karpis gang hid themselves prior to the kidnaping of Hamm on June 15, 1935. Edna Murray also related the

incident concerning the split of the \$90,000, this amount remaining after the money had been exchanged in Reno, Nevada.

With reference to the statement concerning Bolton which was related to Agent McKee while he was in Honolulu concerning certain members of the St. Paul Police Department and particularly to the fact that Mr. Hamm had advised that information presently in the possession of the Bureau which was furnished by Bryan Bolton was given to him, Hamm, and members of the St. Paul Police Department in October of 1935. This statement has been checked by the St. Paul Office and Bolton has steadfastly denied having furnished this information to Hamm and to the St. Paul Police Department; however, the St. Paul Office has subsequently furnished information to the effect that when William Hamm was kidnaped in St. Paul on June 15, 1933, Mr. Thomas Dahill was Chief of Police at St. Paul, Minnesota and Charles Tierney was Inspector of Detectives. Several months after the kidnaping, Tom Brown was placed in charge of a special squad detailed to investigate kidnapings. This appointment was made by the Commissioner and the Chief of Police had nothing to do with it.

During the course of the investigation of the Hamm and later the Bremer case, it was rumored that Tom Brown had some connection with the kidnapers and it was stated by Dahill that he believed Brown was responsible for information reaching the kidnapers and their being warned of attempts that were made to cause their arrest. Dahill became so convinced of this that he has on numerous occasions made direct inquiry as to whether any information had been developed during the course of investigation conducted by the Bureau, which would confirm his belief.

During the first trial in the Bremer case in May, 1935, Dahill, whose term as Chief of Police at that time had expired, and who was then Assistant Inspector of Detectives, accompanied by Assistant Inspector Charles Tierney, attended the trial in an endeavor to secure any information that might develop indicating that Tom Brown had been involved in the kidnaping, and in this regard they were particularly interested in being in attendance during the testimony of Bryan Bolton.

As no information was brought out through the testimony of Bolton concerning the alleged connection of Brown, Mr. Dahill who is well known to United States Attorney George Sullivan, and has his confidence, requested permission to interview Bolton to determine definitely whether or not Bolton would be able to supply any evidence tending to show that Brown had tipped-off the kidnapers, or was in any way connected with them.

Permission for this interview was granted by United States Attorney George Sullivan, whereupon Bolton was interviewed at the Ramsey County Jail by Dahill and Tierney. During this interview Bolton informed them that he had been told by George Zeigler that there was a police officer in St. Paul named Brown that he knew, but that Bolton did not know Brown and could not furnish any information about him.

When asked by Tierney if the same persons who were involved in the Bremer case were responsible for the kidnaping of Hamm, Bolton stated that Zeigler had told him that Zeigler was in the Hamm case and that certain of the actual kidnapers of Bremer were also the kidnapers of Hamm.

Shortly prior to this time a Narcotic Agent referred this office to a report received from a Narcotic Agent in the Iowa district relating to a conversation overheard by an informant to the effect that Hamm was again to be kidnaped. Upon instructions from the Bureau, Mr. Hamm was notified about this, and according to Tierney, consulted with Tierney as to the possibility of his kidnapers returning and taking him again. Tierney, in an attempt to reassure him, informed him that according to his information, Hamm's kidnapers were either in custody or were so badly wanted that they would hardly be expected to return to St. Paul.

Mr. Hamm called at the Bureau Office and requested of it, the St. Paul Office, an expression from the Bureau as to the identity of his kidnapers, which request was referred to the Bureau by letter under date of May 17, 1935 and a reply was received from the Bureau under date of May 24, 1935, suggesting that Mr. Hamm be informed that no information could be given out on a case that was under investigation.

Mr. Hamm then expressed a desire to have an interview with Bolton and secured permission from United States Attorney George Sullivan for such interview. Prior to the interview Bolton was informed by Special Agent John E. Brennan of the St. Paul Office, of Hamm's request, and stated that he would not object to being interviewed by Hamm but could not furnish him with any information and when Hamm did interview Bolton, he, according to Bolton, was particularly concerned about the identity of the "finger man" as he seemed to be under the impression that the "finger man" might possibly be some relative or close friend of his.

** Confidential informant*

Bolton told him that he did not know who the person was but was reasonably sure that it was no friend or relative of Hamm's. The details of the kidnaping which Bolton had previously informed Tierney and Dahill he had obtained from George Zeigler, were not discussed with Hamm and it would appear that such information as Hamm might have concerning the identity of his kidnapers, must necessarily have been obtained from Tierney, and is by no means complete, as Bolton did not mention the connection of Jack Peifer, Jack Davenport, or any other persons than some of those who were actually the kidnapers.

Information has further been obtained that Tom Dahill and Tom Brown are and have been, for the past two years at least, bitter enemies and as Tierney is a close friend of Dahill, his sympathy would be with Dahill. Tom Brown has never talked to Bolton, nor has he been present at the Ramsey County Jail when anyone else has talked to Bolton. Sheriff Tom Gibbons was not present at the interviews referred to other than to escort the persons who had written permission from the United States Attorney to interview Bolton.

The above interviews, which were had during the first trial of the Bremer case during May of 1935, were the last in which Bolton had been interviewed by Dahill, Tierney or Hamm. No interviews have been conducted since that time by these persons with Bolton.

Respectfully,

A. Rosen

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

April 4, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Oklahoma City, Okla.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREXID

Wynona Burdette was recently interviewed at Milan,
Michigan.

that on one occasion Dr. Flannigan, Medical Arts Building, Tulsa, Okla., had examined her. Wynona Burdette stated Dr. Flannigan likewise treated Harry Campbell for a venereal affliction. It is suggested that Dr. Flannigan be interviewed for any information he may have concerning Harry Campbell.

Wynona Burdette likewise stated that Harry Campbell occasionally suffers from severe attacks of rheumatism; that on one occasion during the time she was acquainted with him he was confined to his bed for seven months. It may be possible that Dr. Flannigan may be able to provide information concerning the health resorts or other places that Campbell frequents to obtain relief.

Wynona Burdette likewise stated, during this interview, that "Jew Eddie" is identical with Eddie Snyder, who is presently serving seventy-five years at Leavenworth Penitentiary. In this connection it may be noted that Snyder has been mentioned and named by Jimmie Larson as one of the perpetrators of the murder of Attorney J. Earl Smith.

Information was likewise obtained from Wynona Burdette to the effect that in the fall of 1934, during the time that she, with Harry Campbell, were residing at Oklawaha with Mother Barker and Fred Barker, the Karpis-Barker gang planned on "pulling a job in Mexico;" that she vigorously objected to Harry Campbell participating in any robbery, inasmuch as he had promised her before she left her home that he would no longer engage in criminal enterprises. Wynona Burdette professed ignorance of the place in Mexico which was to be robbed, or the location of the place that was intended to be robbed.

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Ella M. Sullivan,
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RE: BREKID

Dear Mrs. Sullivan:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 23, 1936, containing information that a Bess Dennison has contacted Oscar Felt of Evansville.

This information has been noted and will receive appropriate attention.

Special Agent L. G. Healey of this office has advised me of the splendid cooperation which you and Mrs. S. A. Reimers are rendering the Bureau in their efforts to bring about the apprehension of Subject Harry Campbell, and I desire to express my appreciation to you and to Mrs. S. A. Reimers for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

R. D. BROWN
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Re: BREXID.

Dear Sir:

The Chicago Office file in the above-entitled case reflects that the following undeveloped leads require attention by your office:

The reports of Special Agent C. E. Greeney, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated January 8, 1936, and February 15, 1936, set forth the results of certain inquiries made by your office at West Middlesex, Pennsylvania, and vicinity in an effort to develop information concerning the present whereabouts of Harry Campbell. It is requested that you advise the results of your further inquiries in connection with the set-up at West Middlesex, Pennsylvania, and vicinity.

The report of Special Agent E. J. Wynn, Cleveland, Ohio, dated February 15, 1936, requested that your office conduct investigation concerning certain long distance telephone calls set out in the body of that report, these calls having been made from the Harvard Club at Cleveland, Ohio.

The report of Special Agent L. C. Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, dated March 5, 1936, sets forth the results of the interview by Agent Taylor with Archie Negleman, who was sentenced in United States District Court at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to serve seventeen months in prison for violation of Internal Revenue laws. From recent developments in this case it appears that some of Negleman's information was undoubtedly correct insofar as it related to one Cliff Hall, who is probably identical with Clayton Hall of Youngstown, Ohio. It is requested that this matter be followed up by you and the place of confinement of Archie Negleman be learned. It is noted that at the time of submission of the report of Agent Taylor, Negleman was

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confined in the Allegheny County Jail pending instructions from the Attorney General as to the designation of his place of commitment.

The letter from the Cleveland Office to the Washington Field Office dated March 5, 1936, set forth certain information as furnished by Roy Arnold and requested that you conduct investigation concerning this. The letter from the Washington Field Office dated March 11, 1936, refers to the same situation and requested that you endeavor to ascertain more complete details if possible concerning the alleged location of Alvin Karpis at Baltimore, Maryland, through inquiries to be conducted at Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania. Recent developments in this case indicate that Karpis was not at Baltimore, Maryland, at the time this information was furnished by Roy Arnold. However, it is possible that Karpis may have contacts in that city, and it is believed that you should conduct the appropriate investigation at Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania, in order that this angle of the case might be concluded at an early date.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 7-56

REPORT MADE AT Okla. City, Okla.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/2/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/26, 27/36	REPORT MADE BY R. N. Butterworth
TITLE O ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236; et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE Kidnaping
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Willie Mae Mason, R.F.D. #1, Durant, Okla., resides with her uncle, Jim Young, and has lived at Durant, Okla. for past three years. Mrs. Catherine Shepard, Tulsa, Okla., recently visited her mother, Mrs. I. V. Purdy, on her farm two miles south of Bentley, Okla. Mrs. Shepard's brother, Al Purdy, is serving a life sentence in Okla. State Pen. for kidnaping.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent Paul Hansen, Oklahoma City, 8/24/34. Letter from Kansas City office 3/23/36.</p> <p>DETAILS: At Durant, Oklahoma.</p> <p>Assistant Postmaster O. C. Pierce, Durant, Oklahoma, advised that Willie Mae Mason received mail at 120 Louisiana Street, Durant, Oklahoma, up to November 29, 1935, and now gets mail at 214 East Main Street, Durant, Oklahoma, which is the home of her aunt, Mrs. Ruster. Sabbath Stowe and his wife (who was named Manners before marriage) live at 120 Louisiana Street, and Stowe makes his living by bootlegging.</p> <p>Deputy Sheriff J. R. McLaughlin, Durant, Oklahoma, advised that Amos A. Bates, R.F.D. #2, Durant, Oklahoma, lives with his wife, Mary Bates.</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED</p>			
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two miles east and two miles north of Durant, Oklahoma, and that his farm would make a good hideout for convicts. He is the father of Shorty, Wilson, Dorsey and Claude Bates, who are bootleggers and thieves, and is the grandfather of Willie Mae Mason. [redacted] is now working in the sewing room of the work relief outfit.

Willie Mae Mason is living with her uncle, Jim Young, R.F.D. #1, Durant, Oklahoma, seven miles east of Durant, Oklahoma on U. S. Highway #70, and has lived in Durant, Oklahoma for the past three years. She is twenty-two years old, five feet eight inches in height, weight one hundred and ten pounds, slender build, blonde-brown hair, blue eyes, and she rouges heavily. She associates with bootleggers, thieves and prostitutes, but has never been arrested by the Sheriff's Office or Police Department at Durant, Oklahoma.

At Bentley, Oklahoma.

Ralph Moser, Postmaster, Bentley, Oklahoma, which is a small settlement eighteen miles south of Atoka, Oklahoma, consisting of two stores, a Post Office and a few houses, said Catherine Shepard is the daughter of Mrs. I. V. Purdy, who resides on a small farm two miles south and two miles east of Bentley, Oklahoma with her daughter, Mrs. Tom Smith, and her son-in-law, Tom Smith. Mrs. Shepard and her sister, Mrs. Harry D. Bell, who resides at 1615 East 5th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, visited their mother recently and stayed several weeks, but have returned to Tulsa. Al Purdy, a brother of Mrs. Shepard, received a life sentence for kidnaping in Tulsa, Oklahoma in 1933, and is serving his sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma.

The Purdy farm would make an ideal hideout for criminals, as it is in a sparsely settled neighborhood, and is accessible from Atoka and Caney, Oklahoma.

Mrs. Moser said he and Mr. T. M. Anderson, who operates the other grocery store in Bentley, are the only persons who are trustworthy in the vicinity of Bentley, Oklahoma, and that if he is away Mr. Anderson, who is Mr. Moser's brother-in-law, can be safely contacted by an agent of the Bureau.

Mr. Moser described Mrs. Catherine Shepard as follows:

Age - 38 years.
Height - 5 feet, 8 inches.
Weight - 135 pounds.

Eyes - Brown.

Hair - Black.

Complexion - Dark.

Build - Medium.

Residence - Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Occupation - None.

Marital status - Married, but does not live with husband.

Agent contacted Mr. T. M. Anderson, who verified the information given by Mr. Moser concerning the recent visit of Mrs. Catherine Shepard at her mother's farm near Bentley, Oklahoma.

P E N D I N G

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: W. J. McNULTY - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on April 1, 1936 at 6:50 p.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: J. V. MURPHY - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on April 1, 1936 at 6:50 p.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: L. W. ARMS - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on April 1, 1936 at 6:50 p.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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U. S. Department of Justice
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Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: C. O. HURT - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on April 1, 1936 at 6:50 p.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice
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Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: J. L. MADALA - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on April 1, 1936 at 6:50 p.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
1448 Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

April 2, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: T. M. BIRCH - Special Agent

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the above-named Special Agent arrived in Cleveland, Ohio on March 30, 1936 at 9:00 a.m. for special assignment in connection with the Brekid case.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

J. P. MAC FARLAND
Special Agent in Charge.

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

April 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
St. Paul, Minnesota

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 2, 1936, requesting that Mr. Everett Jennings, attorney of Chicago, who represented Cassius McDonald, be contacted by this Office for the purpose of expediting the forwarding of a stipulation to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, which stipulation is for the purpose of withdrawing original exhibits introduced in the recent trial of Harry Sawyer; et al, at St. Paul, Minnesota, and substituting photostatic copies therefor.

On April 3, 1936, Special Agent R. C. Suran was advised at the office of Mr. Jennings at Chicago, Illinois, that Mr. Jennings had been ill for several days, but his secretary advised that the stipulation had been signed by Mr. Jennings, but he had written to the United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, to ascertain whether the original exhibits were to be used against his client, Cassius McDonald, in the forthcoming trial in Miami, Florida.

Special Agent Suran communicated with Mr. Jennings by telephone at his home and Mr. Jennings stated that he had executed the stipulation, but was awaiting information from Mr. George Sullivan, United States Attorney at St. Paul, Minnesota, as to whether the original exhibits were desired for use against his client as previously stated. He stated that he took this precaution because Cassius McDonald and his family were hard individuals to deal with and he did not want to do anything which would displease Cassius McDonald or his wife, who have expressed their dissatisfaction with the manner in which he has represented Cassius McDonald to date.

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Mr. Jennings was advised that it was Agent Suran's understanding that only Joe Adams and Duke Randall were to be tried at the forthcoming trial at Miami, Florida. He was further advised that no formal request had been made to date by the United States District Court in the State of Florida to have these exhibits removed, but that this Bureau desired the removal of the same prior to the date of the trial. Mr. Jennings stated that it was possible that he would be in his office on the morning of April 4, 1936, and he agreed to forward the stipulation to Mr. Sullivan at St. Paul, Minnesota, on that date.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau
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DIRECTOR

PHONE BREKID. IN SURVEILLANCE CLYDE ROCHAT NEATON FALLS AND CLAYTON HALL
 YOUNGSTOWN NOTHING HAS OCCURRED AS YET. WE HAVE CLAYTON HALL AT OFFICE
 CLEVELAND TONIGHT TO GET, IF POSSIBLE, SOME ADDITIONAL DETAILS TO
 ASSIST. HE ADMITS COLORING CERTAIN DETAILS OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH
 FRED HUNTER AND ALVIN KARPIS

WE WILL TAKE HALL
 TO TOLEDO TOMORROW TO POINT OUT PLACE HE TOOK KARPIS THERE. WE HAVE
 SURVEILLANCE ON PLACE OF BUSINESS OF JOE ROSCOE AT TOLEDO BUT ARE
 HAVING DIFFICULTY ESTABLISHING TAP ON TELEPHONE. JOHN ZETZER WHEN RELEASED
 AFTER SIGNING WAIVERS AS TO REMOVAL, AGREEMENT TO HIS RETENTION FOR
 QUESTIONING AND AN AGREEMENT TO DELIVER KARPIS FOR \$500., RETURNED
 HOME AND NEWSPAPER ITEMS SHOW HE HAS REFUSED TO DISCUSS OR VERIFY
 WHERE HE WAS WHILE IN OUR CUSTODY. TAP ON EDITH BARRY SHOWS NOTHING OF
 VALUE EXCEPT THAT ROSCOE SPENT POSSIBLY NIGHT THERE MARCH 20TH. THE
 VARIOUS POSSIBLE DEVELOPMENTS BEING FOLLOWED AND PUSHED

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Washington Field Office, Rm. 5252,
Washington, D. C.

April 4, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O. #1212, ETAL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF
JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype message of April 2, 1936 in which you advise that a service station operator of New Concord, Ohio advised that a man resembling Alvin Karpis, accompanied by a woman passed through New Concord on the morning of April 2, 1936 and that the man was driving an Auburn Sedan, bearing 1926 Virginia license plates 336-441.

Please be informed that an investigation has disclosed that 1926 Virginia license plates 336-441 were issued to John L. Hudson of Upshur Neck, Virginia on a 1924 black Plymouth sedan. Mr. Hudson has informed that he received these plates on Monday, March 30, 1936; that he placed these plates on his car at that time and that they have not been removed, stolen or loaned at any time since they were attached to the car. He likewise informed that he has not been out of the State of Virginia with the car since the license plates were attached thereto.

Special Agent R. L. Fagan of this Office personally examined the automobile and observed the said license plates attached thereto. It has been ascertained that John L. Hudson bears a splendid reputation in his community where he has resided for 12 years and that he is employed as a caretaker by George E. Barron, who is a wealthy individual and who likewise bears a splendid reputation.

It would therefore appear that the identification made by the service station operator was undoubtedly faulty.

Very truly yours,

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cc-F. J. CONNELLEY-CHICAGO

Bureau
St. Paul
Cleveland

7-576-10383
J. M. KEITH,
Special Agent in Charge.

APR 14 1936

Post Office Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

The Chicago Office file in the above-entitled matter reflects the following undeveloped leads requiring investigation in your district:

Report of Special Agent A. R. Greer, Denver, Colorado, dated December 9, 1935, requested investigation by your office at 123 North San Pedro Street concerning the father of William Elmer Mead, and also requested that your office interview Mrs. Katie Nyburger, 171 South Hosier Street, in an effort to obtain information concerning William Elmer Mead.

The report of Special Agent R. C. Suran, Chicago, Illinois, dated January 6, 1936, also requested that you conduct investigation concerning the father of William Elmer Mead.

The above-mentioned leads were further called to your attention by Chicago Office letter dated February 6, 1936.

The Los Angeles Office letter dated January 6, 1936, advised that an interview would be had with Mrs. Vosburg at Long Beach, California, for the purpose of securing all information possible concerning the personal history of the Barkers.

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The report of Special Agent S. W. Hardy, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated December 20, 1935, requested that you check the number "Gladstone 6944, Howe," which address was found in the effects of Fitzgerald, it appearing that possibly this address might have some connection with William Harrison, inasmuch as he was known to use the alias of Howe. It is possible that this was a contact of William Harrison and might possibly be a contact for the fugitive subjects in this case.

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The report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimmons, Jacksonville, Florida, dated February 27, 1936, requested your office to ascertain the identity of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Head to ascertain their possible connection with William Elmer Head.

The report of Special Agent W. B. O'Mahoney, Cleveland, Ohio, dated March 10, 1936, requested that your office conduct investigation at Hollywood, California, concerning Carlotta M. Lyons, inasmuch as she purchased a Hudson Coupe at Youngstown, Ohio, under suspicious circumstances, from the same company from which one Fred Hunter is believed to have purchased a Hudson Coupe. For your information, the recent developments in this case indicate that Fred Hunter is unquestionably associated with Alvin Karpis and was with him as recently as March 26, 1936, at Hot Springs, Arkansas.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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April 20, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

There are transmitted herewith photostatic copies of an anonymous, undated communication, received in the Bureau on April 6, 1936, containing information concerning the relatives of Harry Campbell who reside at Iowa Park and Holliday, Texas. You will note that this letter refers to one Dr. Gordon Clark as having rendered medical assistance to Harry Campbell during the winter of 1933. Reference is also made to the presence of Wynona Burdette in the vicinity of Iowa Park, Texas during the summer of 1934.

It is requested that you conduct a discreet investigation in the vicinities suggested in this letter to determine whether Harry Campbell has recently visited that section of the country, inasmuch as the anonymous writer indicates that Harry Campbell was in the vicinity of Iowa Park, Texas during the spring season of 1936.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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629 First National Bank Building,
Omaha, Nebraska
April 8, 1936

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:-

Reference is made to your letter, dated at Little Rock, Arkansas, April 1, 1936, requesting that stop cards be placed against a Buick Sedan, motor number 63,052,198, serial 2,895,972, at the automobile registration bureaus of each state.

Please be advised that stop cards have been placed against this car in the files of the Motor Vehicle Bureau, in the states of Iowa and Nebraska, at Des Moines and Lincoln, respectively.

In the event application is made to register this car in either bureau, the Omaha office will be advised by telephone.

Very truly yours,

R. A. ALT,
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau ✓
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Little Rock

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

PEF:CDW

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 3, 1936.

Time - 9:30 A.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Frank E. Foster, alias
Frank Frost.

I telephoned SAC Whitley at New York with reference to his telephonic conversation with me yesterday, at which time he advised that the Bureau knows that the above named person is now located at Reno, Nevada, while the New York Police want him badly in connection with a jewel robbery.

I told Mr. Whitley that upon discussing this matter with you, you had stated the information should by all means be turned over to the New York Police; that, however, as to picking him up for them, another situation presents itself. I pointed out to him that we wouldn't want to have our Agents pick this man up without due probable cause, and then have some shooting and possibly someone killed, and then be faced with a charge of murder. However, I told Mr. Whitley that if this man has violated some statute over which the Bureau has investigative jurisdiction, such as unlawful flight to avoid prosecution, we would have a basis upon which to make the arrest.

Mr. Whitley said he would get in touch with Inspector McDermott and give him this information.

Respectfully,

P. E. Foxworth
P. E. FOXWORTH.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-37

REPORT MADE AT Kansas City, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 4-3-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3-17, 18, 19, 22, 25, 26, 29-36 & 4-1-36	REPORT MADE BY W. E. HOPTON
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236, ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Efforts to locate Milton Lett at Anderson, Sedalia and Brumley, Missouri unproductive. There is no Tony's place at 12th and Main Street, Kansas City, Missouri. No information of value obtained from Tony Patall, Kansas City, Missouri. Edna Murray advised that the contact of Alvin Karpis in Kansas City, Missouri was Fritz Mulloy, and that certain actions and remarks of the gang indicated definitely to her that "Doc" Moran was slain and tossed into Lake Erie. Identity of "Dutch" and "Shorty", Joplin, Missouri furnished by Ed Corey, Missouri State Penitentiary, Number 45012, same being "Shorty" Pinson and his wife "Dutch". Jim Lawson, Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas, interviewed relative to his statement concerning slaying of attorney J. Earl Smith, Tulsa, Oklahoma.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Summary Report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois dated 2-17-36; Report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, dated 3-17-36. Bureau letter dated 3-13-36.</p>			
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DETAILS:

On March 17, 1936, Mr. Wilbur Harr, 5228 Norton Street, an elevator operator in the Federal Reserve Bank Building, Kansas City, Missouri, advised the writer that about three weeks ago he was in a saloon at 14th and Holmes Street, which place is operated by "Bossie" Nigro, an individual who is associated with the Italian underworld in Kansas City. Harr stated he overheard a conversation between Nigro and several others in the saloon, at which time Nigro stated it was rather funny that the Government is still looking for Karpis inasmuch as he, Karpis, has been dead since last summer; that this remark resulted from another statement made by Nigro at the time to the effect that his death was the result of his being associated with Jack Gregory and "Little Mugie" in the slaying of John Lazia.

It appears that this apparently was idle talk inasmuch as investigation in the KATMO case has shown that John Lazia was killed by Jack Gregory, Howard Langsdon and Al O'Brien, and that nothing was ever obtained which would indicate Karpis had anything to do with that incident.

On March 18, 1936, Special Agent Paul Hanson, assigned to the Oklahoma City Office, met Special Agent G. H. Franklin and the writer at the Virginia Hotel, Joplin, Missouri, and advised that he had received information from a confidential informant of his at Coffeyville, Kansas to the effect that one "Snipe" Thornton, who is a close associate of Milton Lett, left word in Coffeyville several days ago for Lett to go down to the farm of Nettie Lair, Route 1, Anderson, Missouri, as it was a good place to lay around for a few days.

The writer contacted Jess Saxton, Neosho, Missouri, who has been assisting the Kansas City office in this case and he advised that one Frank Chandler, Anderson, Missouri, who is a former Deputy Sheriff and a reliable individual, would be a good contact in the vicinity of Anderson, Missouri.

Agents met Frank Chandler, whose residence is on the main highway about two miles south of Anderson, Missouri, and whose place of business is at the Chase Insurance Company in the main part of the town. Chandler advised he was acquainted with the location of the Lair farm and that he had talked to Mrs. Lair about a year ago concerning the issuance of fire insurance on her place. Upon examining the photograph of Milton Lett, Chandler stated he had seen this individual in Anderson, Missouri about two weeks previous and thinks he had some connection with a gambler by the name of Young, who owns a farm about two miles from the Lair farm.

The writer, in company with Mr. Chandler, proceeded to the Lair farm, which is located about five miles northwest of Anderson, Missouri, on Route Number 1. Mr. Chandler is known in that vicinity as an insurance man and it was decided he would call on Mrs. Lair again concerning fire insurance and would introduce the writer to her as an employee of his company from Kansas City, Missouri. The writer accompanied Mr. Chandler in his automobile and called at the Lair farm. It was ascertained that Nettie Lair was in town shopping and that an old blind man, whom she is taking care of, was present at the time of the visit.

It was noted that about one hundred yards from the house a young man and woman were standing near a grape vineyard, and upon noticing Mr. Chandler and the writer they started to walk away. The descriptions of these individuals answered very closely that of Milton Lett and his wife, whose maiden name was Lucille Farris. These two persons kept their backs toward Agent and it was impossible to identify them. The farm is so situated it was rather difficult to maintain a surveillance of same. However, the various roads leading from the Lair farm were watched closely. No automobile was seen on the premises.

It was thought that perhaps Lett might be staying at the farm house of Young, or possibly keeping his automobile at that place. Accordingly, Agent in company with Mr. Chandler called at the Young farm and Mr. Chandler talked to him about fire insurance. It was noted that no car, with the exception of an old Pontiac Sedan belonging to Young, was on the premises.

At about 2 P.M. Mrs. Nettie Lair returned to her farm unaccompanied. Mr. Chandler stated to the writer he was well acquainted with a young lady by the name of Dora Clemmson, who lives about 1/2 mile south of Nettie Lair and who is an acquaintance of hers. Mr. Chandler and the writer called on Miss Clemmson and she stated she had recently lost her dog and was making neighborhood inquiries in an effort to find it; that she and her mother were well acquainted with Mrs. Lair and would call on her that afternoon and assist Agents in determining whether Milton Lett was staying with Nettie Lair. Accordingly, Dora Clemmson and her mother were permitted to study the photograph and description of Milton Lett carefully just prior to visiting Mrs. Lair. Miss Clemmson met Mr. Chandler and the writer about one-half hour later near her home and she advised that Milton Lett was then in the home of Nettie Lair.

Accordingly, Frank Chandler, Special Agents G. H. Franklin, Paul Hanson and the writer immediately surrounded the house of Nettie Lair. Agent Hanson, upon entering same, ascertained that Milton Lett was not present but that another individual about the same height and weight of Lett and a young lady whom he stated was his wife, were present, in addition to Mrs. Nettie Lair and the old

blind man. The young man stated his name was Bob Evans and that his wife's name was Dorothy. They all denied knowing Milton Lett. After further questioning by Agent Hanson and the writer, away from the Lair farm, this individual admitted that he was Louis "Snipe" Thornton, who is wanted by Kansas authorities for the theft of guns from a hardware store near Iola, Kansas. The writer called Special Agent in Charge W. A. Smith at Kansas City and it was decided to take Thornton to the Kansas City Office for questioning. Thornton agreed to do this. He stated that if the Bureau could do something for him he would put Agents in touch with Milton Lett and would assist in locating Alvin Karpis, with whom he is personally acquainted.

On March 20, 1936, upon instructions of the Bureau, the County Attorney at Iola, Kansas, was notified Thornton was in custody. They requested that he be placed in the Jackson County Jail and they would get in touch with him on the following day. On the afternoon of March 21, 1936, Thornton furnished pertinent information to Special Agent G. H. Franklin and the writer, which was included in a letter to the Bureau dated March 23, 1936, copies of which were forwarded to the Oklahoma City, Chicago, Cincinnati, St. Paul and Cleveland Offices.

With reference to the summary report of Special Agent D. P. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, dated February 17, 1936, relative to making inquiries concerning Tony's Place at 12th and Main, and also concerning the activities of Charles Carolla in Kansas City, the writer interviewed Nick DePasquale, 1025 Askew, Kansas City, Missouri, who has been used as an informant in connection with another pending case. DePasquale advised there is no such place as Tony's Place in the vicinity of 12th and Main. It may be stated here that the writer has on numerous occasions been in the vicinity of 12th and Main and has never noticed any place that would answer this description. It seems likely that Tony's Place probably refers to Tony Fatell, who, at the present time, operates a gambling establishment at 3511 1/2 Troost, and who formerly operated a drinking parlor on Southwest Boulevard.

DePasquale further advised that Charles Carolla is presently residing in Kansas City and is interested in the Glendale Soda Company, as well as the agency for the Schlitz Brewing Company. He also is known to collect protection money from various gambling interests and is supposed to be connected with slot machines in Kansas City. His close associates are connected with the North Side Democratic Club at 5th and Grand Avenue. DePasquale advised that in the event he should receive any pertinent information in connection with Charles Carolla he would get in touch with the writer.

On the evening of March 17, 1936, Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley telephoned from the Oklahoma City Office and stated that with reference to locating Milton Lett it had been ascertained that Alvin Lett, who is an adopted brother of Milton's father and is part negro, although looks like a white man, is supposed to be employed by a packing company in Kansas City and his wife is alleged to be running a rooming house either in Kansas City, Missouri or Kansas City, Kansas. It was thought that perhaps this might be a contact of Milton Lett. He also advised that Lett's mother has two brothers living at Brumley, Missouri. Their names as furnished by Mr. Brantley were Jim Littrell and John Littrell.

Agent telephoned the larger packing houses in Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas City, Kansas, in an effort to locate Alvin Lett. In each case advice was received that they had no record of this individual. The city and telephone directories of Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas City, Kansas, do not list an Alvin Lett. Inquiries at the Kansas City, Missouri and Kansas City, Kansas Post Offices failed to produce any information concerning the location of this individual. Through inquiry of [REDACTED]

b7D [REDACTED] it was ascertained that their records revealed that in 1931 Alvin J. Lett resided on Route 3, Laredo, Missouri, and in 1930 he resided at 310 Quindell, Kansas City, Kansas.

Special Agent G. H. Franklin interviewed Mr. Gerald Cooper, Postmaster at Laredo, Missouri. Mr. Cooper checked his records as far back as 1930 but was unable to locate the name of Alvin Lett as ever having received mail or left a forwarding address. Mr. Cooper advised further that he has been Postmaster at Laredo since 1932 and has lived in that community since 1919 and he was unable to recall anyone by the name of Lett ever having resided in that vicinity.

Mr. J. E. Thomas, Laredo, Missouri, who was formerly the Postmaster and a resident in the community for the past forty years, advised that to the best of his recollection a party by the name of Lett lived somewhere in the vicinity of Laredo in 1931 but was only there for about two months and moved away, and he was under the impression that he moved to Galt, Missouri.

Mr. O. A. Green, Postmaster at Galt, Missouri, checked his records as far back as 1929 but was unable to find anyone by the name of Lett having received mail in that vicinity or having left a forwarding address. He further advised that he was unable to recall anyone by that name.

Mr. G. L. Keener, Galt, Missouri, former Postmaster and life long resident in that vicinity, stated he does not recall anyone by the name of Lett as ever having resided in the community.

Inquiries at the office of the Grundy County Tax Collector's

Office, Trenton, Missouri, failed to reflect that Alvin Lett has ever owned any property in the County.

On March 21, 1936, Chief of Police William Marlin, Sedalia, Missouri, telephoned the Kansas City office and advised that he had in custody one Harlem Head, who had stated to him that he had driven to Sedalia with Milton Lett and that Lett had dropped him off there and told him he would meet him at the Royal Hotel on March 22, 1936.

Special Agents D. L. McCormack, G. H. Franklin, A. S. Reeder and the writer proceeded to Sedalia, Missouri. Chief Marlin, upon interview at his home, stated that earlier in the week a postal sub-station in Sedalia, Missouri, had been robbed; that on Thursday, March 19, 1936, an informant of his asked him if he knew anyone by the name of Head inasmuch as such a person had registered that day at the Royal Hotel in Sedalia, Missouri. The following day Chief Marlin stated he arrested Head for investigation, at which time Head was very intoxicated. Upon talking to him the following morning Head stated he had left Coffeyville, Kansas, a couple of days prior thereto in company with Milton Lett, Fred Barker and two girls, and that Lett had dropped him off at Sedalia, Missouri and told him to register at the Royal Hotel as he was going on to St. Louis and would return on Sunday and pick him up. On Sunday morning Harlem Head was interviewed by Special Agent D. L. McCormack and the writer. He stated he is from Coffeyville, Kansas where he had known Milton Lett for a number of years; that about Thursday, March 19, 1936 he emerged from a pool hall in Coffeyville, at which time he was very intoxicated; that Milton Lett in company with another man known to him as Fred Barker and two girls were in a car in front of the pool hall; that Lett told him to get in and he would take him to Sedalia, Missouri; that they then proceeded eastward and arrived in Sedalia after dark that night; that Lett put him out near the Terry Hotel at Sedalia and gave him \$5.00 and instructed him to get a room at the Royal Hotel where he would pick him up on Sunday and take him back to Coffeyville. He stated he was quite drunk at the time and that he was later arrested by the Sedalia Police. He was unable to furnish a description of the girls nor of Fred Barker.

Further questioning revealed that he undoubtedly knew Milton Lett but the balance of his story was too vague to sound credible. It appeared he had told this story to Chief Marlin and had also added that he saw guns in a suit case carried by Lett at Fort Scott, Kansas where they had stopped for coffee.

On the belief that Head was trying to gain a favor from Chief of Police William Marlin by telling this story, Agent McCormack took Chief Marlin outside the place where Head was being questioned and then returned to the room. Head was then told his story didn't sound quite plausible and if he was telling this tale merely to get on the good side of the Chief that that was his affair but that

Agents wanted the truth. He then admitted he had been drunk for about a month and that due to an accident in the World War his brain didn't function very well. He stated he at no time heard the name of any person in the car and was unable to state whether he came to Sedalia in an automobile. He stated he didn't know how he got there or when he got there and didn't remember anything he had told the Chief of Police. He said that so far as he knew no part of the story as originally told was true; that his mind must have left him entirely and he supposed the story came from drinking too much. He stated he would not consciously fabricate the story but that he has no reason to believe the story in any part is true. It may be noted Head has a scar from his eye brow all the way across the top of his head, which gives the appearance that his skull might have been fractured when the injury was received. It appeared from observation that Harlem Head is demented and when in an intoxicated condition is apt to say most anything which might have come to his imaginative mind. A surveillance of the Royal Hotel was maintained, however, throughout the day without results.

On March 23, 1936 a letter was received from an inmate of the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, giving the alias of Marie Smith and requesting that an Agent call on her in the very near future as she wished to impart some information. It appeared that this note probably had been written by Edna Murray, who is presently incarcerated in the Missouri State Penitentiary.

Accordingly, Special Agent A. E. Farland and the writer interviewed Edna Murray, Missouri State Penitentiary, at which time she stated that a young lady whom she had met there by the name of Mary Smith asked her to write this letter to the Kansas City Office as she wished to talk to an Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. In a casual talk with Edna Murray she advised to her knowledge Alvin Karpis had only one connection in Kansas City and that was Fritz Mulloy; that she recalled at one time before she and Volney Davis had been arrested Karpis had visited Kansas City, Missouri and had made a contact with Mulloy. As to Harry Campbell, she stated she did not believe he ever stopped off at Kansas City, Missouri, but would go on through to Oklahoma.

During the conversation with Edna Murray the names of "Doc" Moran, John Hamilton and Willie Harrison were mentioned. She stated that she knew that Doc Moran had been done away with; that he had been taken out into Lake Erie in a boat that belonged to Captain Timothy of the Toledo Police Department by the Barker boys and one or two other members of the gang; that they were gone, as near as she could recall, about three or four hours, and that when the boys returned "Doc" Moran was not with them; that later that day she remembered having a conversation with Fred Barker about Volney Davis and others having their faces operated on by Doc Moran, and that Barker said "Doc Moran will never cut on anyone else unless he cuts up some fish in Lake Erie". Edna Murray also stated that Willie

Harrison had been slain by Doc Barker and Elmer Farmer; that she always felt very badly about this inasmuch as she considered Willie Harrison a pretty good fellow who was friendly toward all of the gang and always willing to help a friend. Edna Murray stated that while she and Volney Davis were going through Bensonville, Illinois, Volney pointed out a house to her which was used in the Hamm kidnapping case; that this house was occupied by a party who was now the Postmaster at Bensonville, Illinois.

While at the penitentiary the writer interviewed Ed Corey, register number 45012, who advised he has been an inmate there during the past twenty one months on a sentence of four years for burglary and larceny committed in Joplin, Missouri.

Corey stated he was acquainted with Harry Campbell, Glen LeRoy Wright and Jimmy Lawson; that he met them in the year 1932 through one Burly Pinson, who at that time drove a taxicab in Joplin, Missouri for the DeLuxe Cab Company located near the Connor Hotel. In this connection he advised that he, Corey, was selling liquor in Joplin and vicinity, and that sometime in the early Fall of 1932 Burly Pinson told him he had some new customers for him, namely - Harry Campbell, Glenn LeRoy Wright and Jimmy Lawson. Corey stated he saw Harry Campbell on numerous occasions at Joplin, Missouri, during the Fall of 1932 and that Campbell at that time was hiding out with "Shorty" Pinson and his wife who was known as "Dutch", and that "Shorty" and "Dutch" had a rather large house on the 20th Street Highway between Joplin, Missouri and Galena, Kansas, the place being located about five miles southwest of Joplin. Corey advised that the last information he had "Dutch" and "Shorty" Pinson moved from the place on 20th Street Road and now reside in the Chiffendecker Park District in the vicinity of Chipwood, which is a suburb of Joplin, Missouri. Corey said that when Campbell left Pinson's place he rented an apartment in the Cozy Apartment Building on 13th and Joplin Streets in Joplin, Missouri; that after living there for a while he and Wynona Burdette left Joplin in the latter part of November or the first part of December 1932 and went directly to Hot Springs, Arkansas. Corey stated that practically every time he saw Campbell he, Campbell, was suffering from some kind of ailment; that he thought perhaps it was gonorrhea rheumatism, which caused him to be somewhat crippled in one leg. On various occasions when he saw Campbell, Wright and Lawson at the above addresses they were in company with Ida Jennings, Mildred Lawson and Wynona Burdette; that just prior to Campbell's departure from Joplin to Hot Springs, Arkansas, Jimmy Lawson went to Tulsa and got Wynona Burdette and drove her to Joplin and she left shortly thereafter with Campbell.

On March 26, 1936 a telegram was received from Frank Chandler, Anderson, Missouri, advising he had received a tip to the effect that Lett would be in Anderson, Missouri, on Saturday night, which would be March 28, 1936.

On the night of March 27, 1936, Special Agent G. H. Franklin contacted Frank Chandler by telephone and was advised that he had received information from an informant of his to the effect that Milton Lett had been to the home of Nettie Lair a few days ago and was expected to return Saturday night, March 28, 1936, between 7 P.M. and 8:30 A.M.

On the morning of March 28, 1936, Special Agents M. B. Rhodes, E. L. Cochran, D. L. McCormack and G. H. Franklin proceeded to Anderson, Missouri and contacted Frank Chandler at his home. Mr. Chandler advised that his information was received from Carl Mayfield, who resides in the vicinity of Nettie Lair's home and who is a close friend of Nettie Lair; that he had also been advised by Mr. Cunningham, the mail carrier, that a green V-8 Ford Coupe had been seen in the vicinity of Nettie Lair's home the last few days.

Accompanied by Frank Chandler the above Agents maintained a surveillance of the home of Nettie Lair from 7 P.M. until after midnight March 28, 1936. No cars were seen to approach the Lair home. On the morning of March 29, 1936, Carl Mayfield, who resides six miles northwest of Anderson, Missouri, was interviewed by G. H. Franklin, at which time he stated he is well acquainted with Nettie Lair and he has leased some of her land and is farming it. He stated that about two months ago a man driving a green or gray Ford Coach, about a 1934 or 1935 model, called at his home and inquired about the direction to Nettie Lair's farm and also inquired if Mrs. Lair's nephew named Louis Thornton was staying there. He stated he had met a young couple at the Lair home whose name was Evans and who were related to Nettie Lair. Mayfield stated he has not seen this man driving the V-8 Ford since that time but Mrs. Lair advised him that about two months ago and shortly after her niece and nephew came to her place this man driving the V-8 Ford had come to her place between 7 P.M. and 8:30 P.M. on a Saturday night and picked up her nephew; that they would be gone for a day or two at a time; that this man would not stay at her place but would just pick up her nephew and then drop him off at the house when they would return. Mr. Mayfield stated he had heard from Mr. Cunningham that a V-8 Ford of a similar description used by this party had been seen in the vicinity a few days ago, and in view of the fact that he had been advised by Chandler this party was wanted he informed Chandler in all probability this party would return to Nettie Lair's place Saturday night, March 28, 1936. A photograph of Milton Lett was identified by Mayfield as being the party he had seen driving the gray V-8 Ford Coach.

Arrangements were made to have Mayfield go to the home of Nettie Lair and ascertain whether anyone was presently staying at her place or whether anyone had recently been there. Approximately an hour later Mayfield returned and stated there was no one staying

at the Lair place besides Mrs. Lair and the old blind man; that Nettie Lair's niece, Dorothy Rush, had returned to Iola, Kansas, a week ago and that no one had called at her place for the past several weeks and she has not seen the man driving the V-8 Ford for nearly two months, which was the time she had previously mentioned. Mr. Mayfield advised that in the event this V-8 Ford should return to this vicinity or if he should receive any information pertaining to this party he would notify the Kansas City Bureau Office or Frank Chandler, of Anderson, Missouri.

Mr. Cunningham, the rural mail carrier at Anderson, Missouri, advised that a few days ago he was told by his son, N. Cunningham, who resides about one-fourth mile from the Lair farm, told him he had seen a V-8 Ford drive by his place which he presumed went to the Lair farm, and upon receiving this information he notified Frank Chandler.

The writer interviewed V. M. Smith, Postmaster at Brunley, Missouri, who advised there is no one in that community by the name of Luttrell, but that a Jim Luttrell resides on Route Number 1, Brunley, Missouri, and has been a neighbor of his, Smith, for the past ten years. To his knowledge Jim Luttrell, whom he stated is a very old man, has no relatives in Oklahoma; that Jim Luttrell had a brother by the name of John Luttrell, who died about six or seven years ago; that Jim Luttrell has a brother at Windyville, Missouri, whose name is Milton Luttrell and would be in a much better position to accommodate a visitor than would Jim Luttrell. He stated that inasmuch as he lives so close to Jim Luttrell he was in a position to know whether he has any visitors and in this connection stated he has not noticed anyone visiting him during the past year. He stated that his wife is very close to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Luttrell and he would have her ascertain in a diplomatic manner whether there is any connection between Jim Luttrell and the Lett family who reside near Wann, Oklahoma. Any information he might receive he stated he would furnish to the Kansas City Office by letter.

Anthony Fatell, home address 3320 Jefferson, telephone Logan 6525, business address 3511 $\frac{1}{2}$ Troost Avenue, Kansas City, Missouri, telephone - Westport 3393, was interviewed by the writer in the Kansas City office on April 1, 1936, at which time he advised he has received no information concerning members of the Barker-Karpis gang since he was last interviewed by Agents of the Bureau.

During the interview he stated when he operated the Westport Tavern on Southwest Boulevard, Alvin Karpis, Doc Barker, Volney Davis and Jess Doyle came into his place on several occasions to have a few drinks; that he met these individuals through Earl Doyle, whom he knew quite well. Fatell stated that since he quit the

business about one and one-half years ago he has not heard anything about the gang and has not had anything whatever to do with them. It was his opinion that the Barker-Karpis gang had very few contacts in Kansas City, Missouri, and he bases this on the fact that at no time did he ever hear any members of the gang speak of persons in Kansas City whom they knew; that the only reason they came to his place was the result of the introduction by Earl Doyle.

Fatell advised further he is acquainted with Clarence Sparger, John Langdon and Spike Lane, but he has not seen or heard anything concerning these individuals for over a year. He advised that he has severed all of his connections with these individuals and consequently is not in any position to furnish information of value. It appears very doubtful whether Fatell has had any recent connection with Karpis and Campbell, and it is apparent that little or no information of value can be expected from him.

With reference to Bureau letter dated March 13, 1936, Special Agent A. E. Farland interviewed Jim Lawson at the Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, Hutchinson, Kansas relative to his statement made to Major Wint Smith, of the Kansas State Highway Patrol, concerning the slaying of Attorney J. Earl Smith, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Several corrections were made in the statement by Jim Lawson, after which he signed same. This statement is as follows:

THIS STATEMENT GIVEN BY JAMES LAWSON TO
WINT SMITH, ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL
OF THE STATE OF KANSAS, AT THE KANSAS
STATE REFORMATORY, HUTCHINSON, KANSAS,
ON THE 27TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1936.

Q State your name.

A James Lawson.

Q Whereabouts were you, Mr. Lawson, about the first of September, 1932?

A In Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Q Whereabouts were you living in Tulsa?

A At 1136 South Quincy Street, at the Hattie Bell Apartments.

Q What men were you running around with?

A Harry Campbell, Glenn Roy Wright, Eddie Moss.

Q Does Eddie Moss have any other name?

A Yes. Eddie Snyder.

Q Do you know where Eddie Snyder is now?

A In the Oklahoma penitentiary.

Q Glenn Roy Wright?

A Oklahoma penitentiary.

Q Harry Campbell?

A No, sir, I don't know where he is.

Q What were you doing down there... Now, you don't have to tell that if you don't want to.

A We weren't doing anything. They had done a job three days before I came to town.

Q What were they doing three days before you came to town?

A They robbed a dairy company at 3d and Viaduct at Tulsa. They were living off the proceeds of that.

Q I want you to tell in your own words what you understood to be this J. Earl Smith's status around there as to protecting the boys, taking care of them. What was the common talk among these four fellows about J. Earl Smith?

A I never met him in my life. Saw him at a distance. They were living, I can't remember the address but it must have been around the 1500 block North Boston, I am not certain, at the time I went to Tulsa. Smith had been coming over to the house. He was there half a dozen times when I was there. He had been hired as a criminal attorney for robbing the Wilcox Oil Company.

Q Previous to your coming there?

A Yes.

Q In Tulsa?

A Yes. Campbell left town or was supposed to have left town. He was not around there for possibly four or five days. Smith had come over on two different occasions to see him but he wasn't there. He called him one afternoon. Eddie answered the phone.....

Q Eddie Snyder?

A Eddie Snyder. He couldn't understand him on the phone so I talked. He wanted to know where Campbell was. I told him I didn't know. He said he was getting a little nervous waiting for his money. It seems that Campbell and Wright owed him \$3,200.00 as attorney fee to fix this Wilcox case.

Q What did you understand from the boys was the status of the Wilcox robbery case and what was Smith going to do?

A Clean the case up for him so they wouldn't have to do time and they could keep what they had.

Q They were to give him \$3,200.00?

A No, \$3,500.00. He had paid him \$300.00.

Q Smith was to see that they didn't get any time on the Wilcox job?

A He had made their bond and had put up mortgaged property on the bond, Mrs. Melissa Strickland, of Tulsa. He was worried about that because when they called that bond he would be in trouble.

Q What was your conversation?

A I told him we expected Campbell back. I asked Eddie when Harry would be back and he said "tomorrow". But Campbell didn't show up. Earl wanted to go to Fort Scott on the Harvey Bailey case. He told me to let him know whether Campbell got back or not. I called him that evening but he had left for Fort Scott. The next afternoon he called and I said he would be there that night. We had definite word that he was already in town and would be out there that night. He said "Be sure to have him call me before seven - around seven o'clock" so that afternoon we went out to Louis Webb.

Q Who do you mean by "we"?

A Eddie and I. Harry was there so Eddie talked to him. It was their business.... I told Eddie what Smith said and he and Campbell talked about it, I don't know what they said, so we got the car belonging to Campbell's sister, but she had transferred it to Eddie Snyder's name, and they were paying it out as they got the money. We went back to the apartment on Quincy and stayed until about 6:45 that evening. He got a telephone call from a lady across the hall. He came back and he said "get your hat". We went to the corner of 11th and Rockford and he said "call Smith and tell him to meet us and to bring a hand bag". So I went in and called him.

Q What did they say as to where you were to meet Smith?

A He made the meeting place himself. He said "I will pick you up within three blocks of there. Just walk up the street east on 11th". So he picked us up.

Q When you called Smith he said to walk east on 11th and he would pick you up?

A Yes. So he picked us up. I got in front, Eddie in the rear. Eddie said "right straight out 11th". We cut over to Admiral. I believe we went straight out 11th and after we got where this Siloam Springs highway crosses. We passed there and Eddie told him "First little side road, turn in there". So we turned in there and wandered around this little road. Made a right-hand turn after hitting this side road. There was a car pulling out possibly a quarter of a mile ahead and one coming toward us. We pulled over and stopped and by the time he had got stopped, the other car had stopped. It was Campbell. Eddie stayed in the car. I got out. Campbell pulled fifteen paces past the car. I stepped out on the right. I could see through the back rear glass at the side. They started arguing for a couple of minutes and all at once somebody said "let the old son of a bitch have it".

Q What did you see then?

A Eddie struck Smith with his 45, he must have had, and from then on they started blasting. Campbell stood at the left front door. They tussled around in the car for a number of seconds. I don't know how many shots were fired. Smith fell out the door I had left open. His hips had caught in the door. I stood back and pulled my gun. I knew something was happening. When he fell out this side he reached out his hand and started to say something. I got blood all over me. I let loose and got in the shade where I could watch it. They undoubtedly shook him down for they pulled him out straight on the road. I walked over to the car and where I could keep them in sight. I said "this is a hell of a mess you have got me into". They said "we had to do it, you are in as deep as we are".

Q While you were going out there, what did they talk about?

A Smith and I done most of the talking. Snyder didn't have much to say. We talked about a fellow by the name of Fred Lonsdale. He got Fred Lonsdale to plead guilty on four different raps and was going to get them to run concurrently, all the different counts. Then he found out they couldn't run concurrently and it turned out that Lonsdale had twenty-seven years instead of eight years. He is still down there. We were talking about that and he asked me... he knew I just came out.. he was asking me about different fellows down there. It was just an ordinary conversation between he and I. Eddie didn't have much to say. He buggered his ears and he didn't do much talking because half the time he couldn't hear.

Q What did the boys say as they went back to town?

A I don't remember. I was pretty well scared. After we pulled away from there I don't know. It was said "we will have to get rid of this rod". There was a pond of water on the right of the road. Instead of going back on the pavement we came to the Siloam Springs and cut into Tulsa that way. Before we got to the strip pits, from half to three-quarters of a mile from this corner of the highway, there was a pond. You could see the light shining on the water. They got out and threwed the gun into this water but Harry kept his 45. He gathered the shells up after the shooting. I don't know how many times he shot.

Q Was it dark when you were out there?

A It wasn't inky dark. Rather dark. You could see for perhaps fifteen or twenty steps.

Q Harry decided to keep his 45?

A Yes. He still had it when I left him.

Q How far from where you left the body is this pond of water?

A Anywhere within a radius of one mile. I would know where it was if I passed it.

Q It was on the right hand side of the road?

A Coming into Tulsa, yes.

Q Where did you wash the blood off your hands?

A I had a handkerchief and used that on my pants leg. His hand fell down when I let loose of it and got blood on my pants leg and he died just as I let loose of his hand.

Q What did you do with this handkerchief? Throw it away?

A I wiped the blood off my hand and got most of it off my pants leg. We went directly into Louis Webbs.

Q Harry Campbell drove the car?

A Yes. To the 3100 block on East Independence.

Q- What transpired there?

A We went in. I struck a match and looked at my clothes. Saw how much blood there was on my pants legs and the tip of my shoes. I got a wet rag, took this handkerchief in and wet it and brought it back and cleaned my pants and shoes and went back in. I got the worst of it off and then went into the bathroom and cleaned up the best I could.

Q Who was there then?

A Webb and his wife.

Q Anything said?

A Yes.

Q Webb have any ideas?

A Not at that time. Eddie and Campbell went in the bathroom and stayed there half an hour. They took something off Smith, I don't know what it was. They went in the bathroom and I was scared, didn't know what might happen. Was afraid to get tough. They came back out and we stood in front. I said "The only thing for me to do is to get my clothes. I am not making any money with you fellows, and now a possible murder rap, possibly the chair and I didn't have anything against the man. Nothing to show for getting the rap. I never saw the man before in my life."

Q You think when they were in the bathroom they were dividing?

A No, I don't think there was any money. Just papers. The Jew (Eddie Snyder) never showed up with any money. He was broke and on his uppers then. So I said "Harry, what do you think about it?" He said "It is a kind of a crack for you but it couldn't be helped." I said "Why did you have me come with you?" He said he didn't know it was going to turn out that way.

Q Then after you left...

A Then Eddie and I got my clothes on Quincy and went back to Webbs. I wanted to leave and he kept insisting there wasn't going to be any rap. this and that. and we went back to Webbs and argued

we got in the car and drove off. We drove up north of Tulsa on Peoria Street road, then three miles out of Skiatook. Drove out in the woods and sat there until probably 5:30 in the morning. I stayed awake. Just dozed. About 5:30 Campbell said "Go in and get Burrhead Keady". So I went into Keady's house and told him the boys were waiting for him. He didn't say anything so I drove back out to this place. I stopped and he drove around me. They were standing at the brush at the edge of the road. I stopped where I had plenty of room to turn around. He drove up opposite. Campbell and Eddie walked out from the bushes to his car and passed the word. The Jew (Eddie Snyder) walked back into the Ford and said "Let's go to Arkansas". So we drove to Arkansas.

Q Hear any conversation between the boys and Burrhead?

A No, I didn't leave the car.

Q Did Eddie have his clothes with him?

A I believe he had a change.

Q When you say you went to Arkansas, where did you go?

A We went to Tommy Carpenter, three miles south of Berryvale.

Q How long did you stay there?

A Three days, I believe. We left there on the fourth day.

Q Where did you go?

A Back to the Webbs at Tulsa.

Q Who did you see there?

A Webb and his wife.

Q Did they say anything about what had happened?

A Campbell had told Eddie and I "They won't have a chance to do anything. I have an alibi that is already fixed."

Q He advised Eddie that he had an alibi fixed with the Webbs?

A Yes. They were hysterical because they had Campbell charged. Webb said they knew him didn't have anything to do with it.

Q When did you next see Harry Campbell?

A About ten days after the crime.

Q Where?

A He was on the Walt Doolin farm between Mannford and Oilton.

Q That was the farm the boys frequently used?

A Yes. It had an old tenant house occupied by an old ex-convict.

Q What did Harry say at that time about the job?

A I told him he was in a little hot water. He said "Yes". Then he said "It doesn't make any difference, I am a little hot anyway".

Q Was Eddie Snyder with you?

A Yes, he went with me.

Q When you were at Berryvale, did you see Tommy Carpenter?

A Yes. His wife and his wife's mother and father were there.

Q How long did you stay at the Walt Doolin farm?

A Possibly thirty minutes.

Q Did you agree with Harry Campbell where he was to be?

A He wanted some medicine. He was crippled up and he needed some medicine and they needed groceries in the house. I told Burrhead they needed medicine and groceries.

Q Where was Burrhead, at Skiatook or Tulsa?

A No, at home. He got the medicine and groceries and took them out to them. I made two or three trips out there. Took the old man some casings for his Ford.

Q What did you and Eddie do then?

A Went back to Tulsa. Laid around there and rapped a little old bakery. I believe it was the Smith Bakery on 7th and Kanosha.

Q When did you and Eddie separate?

A Well, he and I had been arguing a good deal. I quit staying at his place and was staying at Webbs. Eddie was staying on Quincy. He couldn't drive a car so I drove the car. Finally Glenn... you know Glenn had his arm broke...

Q Where did Glenn get his arm broken?

A He and Eddie had a car wreck up by Fairfax and Glenn broke his arm.

Q Where was Glenn Roy Wright the night they killed J. Earl Smith?

A I guess he was home. I didn't see him at all. When we were arguing in this yard I was a little bit warm about it. Campbell said "Hell, it was as much for your friends as it was for ours. He had double-crossed everybody in the country. He has beat Freddy Barker out of \$10,000.00". Before Campbell left town at this time he had had several telephone calls, presumably from Freddy.

Q At Webbs?

A No. Before the killing. Several calls supposed to be from Freddy. When I came to Tulsa they wanted a couple of machine guns to rob banks. Freddie was going to get them the guns. That was the reason they weren't doing anything. When I came back they

didn't cut me in on anything. Campbell gave me \$5.00 or \$10.00 now and then and I stayed at the Jew's place, kind of a visitor around. When I got shy of money Eddie and Harry would give me \$5.00 or \$10.00, then I went away for a couple of weeks. One day Eddie, Campbell and I and Eddie's girl, can't think of her name, we were all getting pretty tight and Harry's sister, Flora, was there, too. Campbell was a little drunker than the rest of us. He told his sister he was expecting a call at 6:30 from Freddy and for her to answer it and tell Freddy to get in touch with B. H. K.

Q By B. H. K. he meant Burrhead Keady?

A Yes, Burrhead Keady.

Q While all this was going on, what part did he play, postoffice of what?

A Just a connection. Here is the idea. If we had hard dough, hard silver in any amount we could take it to him and he would take it to the bank. If we wanted arms or ammunition or a lawyer or a plant or anything of that sort, it was up to him to furnish it.

Q You paid him?

A Yes.

Q If you took some hard money, what was Burrhead's cut?

A Ten per cent. While Campbell was hid on the Doolin ranch either Doolin or Keady took him over to Drumwright in the daytime and Burrhead came back and told Eddie and I to go see Harry and we went to see him. We took our tools. Campbell had this ice company in mind. It was on Sunday night. They wanted the place stuck up. After we got there we couldn't stick it up so we waited until late that evening, Harry, the Jew (Eddie Snyder) and Wright. Harry and Eddie were inside and I kept the car.

Q How did Harry get the safe open?

A He found a soft plug on the safe. Scrapped the paint and found the soft plug.

Q Where did you go from there?

A Left Harry out at this plant for two or three days.

Q By "This plant" you mean the Doolin's farm?

A Yes. Two or three days after that Burrhead came over to Webbs and said Harry wanted me to rent an apartment for him; that he was coming to town. I couldn't find anything suitable. Harry is crippled and had to have somebody with him. We finally rented an apartment at 1311 South Elgin. Lived there for six or seven days. Somebody came to the apartment one night and took him and his girl out and when I came in they were gone and had left a note saying for me to come to this girl's sister. I went out there and she said the law knew where we were. I stayed there the rest of the night. Went

to Webbs next morning. Campbell was there. So her and I rented another apartment at the Longfellow Apartments at 10th and Main. They stayed there. I didn't stay there at all. I rented light house-keeping rooms at So. Cheyenne with Winona Burdette's sister under the name of King. They lived at the Longfellow a week or ten days and the Jew (Eddie Snyder) got arrested on South Quincy. He stayed until the rent was over. They arrested him and his girl. I came to Kansas and stayed a couple of days by myself and went back and went to see Campbell.

Q Where was he at this time?

A At the Longfellow. I told him "I am going to take out. It is too warm for me". I hadn't made \$300.00. I would have been broke all the time if it hadn't been for \$5.00 or \$10.00 that he gave me once in awhile. He said "Lets you and I and Glenn take out together". So we came to Caney for ten days and went from there to Joplin.

Q When Smith called up and Harry Campbell wasn't there, he said he had to go to Fort Scott where Harvey Bailey was being tried for the Fort Scott job?

A Yes.

Q He did appear at the trial?

A He didn't appear at the trial. I believe this happened the night after the trial. I don't know, there might have been a telephone call come in that night but as far as my understanding was the only dealings between Campbell and Smith were that Campbell owed Smith \$3,200.00 and Smith wanted his money.

Q Smith wanted his money because he had to get Campbell and Glenn Roy Wright out of that?

A It was close to the trial and he had already went so far he had put up mortgaged property on the bond and he wanted his money so he could square things before trial day. But the dealings between Campbell and Freddy, I am really unaware of what went on between them. I know that Freddy had something against Smith for not getting his brother out down there.

Q What Barker was that?

A Doc. Also had the Fort Scott deal against him.

Q Was Harvey Bailey in on that job?

A No. Just handled the bond.

Q Jim Clark?

A No.

Q Who did rob the bank?

A Only three that I know - Miller, Fred Barker and Karpis.

Q What Miller?

A Vern. As to the others, I wouldn't know who they were. I

Q imagine Rusty Gibson and Weaver. That was the original gang.

Q Jim, could you draw a diagram of that road.
(This diagram is now in the possession of Col. Smith)

Q What was Webbs' racket?

A Driving a milk wagon when I was there.

Q The last time you saw Harry was after the job at Coffeyville?

A Yes, I left him out in the brush.

Q Who was it you think who fired the first shot?

A The first shot was accidental, I think. Eddie hit him with his gun and it went off unless he drew it way back and what I think happened is that he had this 45 cocked and when he hit him it went off.

Q Before any shooting took place, did you hear anything?

A I heard quite a few words. But it was their argument and none of my business and I didn't pay much attention to it.

Q Did you get out of the car before Harry came up?

A Just as he drove up and stopped.

Q Had anybody told you to get out?

A No.

Q Do you remember any conversation at all when you were standing back of the car?

A I think the conversation opened by passing the time of day. Asked him how he was getting along. Harry came up close to the car window.

Q Window down?

A I wouldn't say whether it was or not. Partly down.

Q After the shooting started, Smith started to get out?

A No, he was fighting.

Q He tried to get out of the door you left open?

A His last efforts were to get out of that door. He was sitting facing north and Campbell was standing on the left side.

Q Did you read the accounts in the newspapers?

A Yes, several of them. All they stated was that Harry Campbell called him up and put him on the spot. When I called some lady answered the phone and said "Who is it?" and I said "You tell him it is Harry calling" because that was who it was supposed to be. He was either at dinner or busy and she answered the phone.

Q You called him at his house?

A Yes. It was through his instructions that the meeting was made.

Q When you told him that Harry wanted to see him?

A I said "That party is here". He had met Harry two or three different times. He was afraid he would be picked up on this bond. Everybody in the county knew it was phony.

Q Did Harry ever say anything about the office in Tulsa giving him a break?

A Yes, I was informed that for \$100.00 a week I could do anything except steal in Tulsa.

Q Did you understand that was the police or the sheriff?

A The Sheriff's office only.

Q Did Harry and Glenn Roy ever talk about paying any money to anybody.

A No, I never heard them say they had paid any money. Just after that everybody in town was under suspicion on this murder. They named Roy right.

Q Did Burrhead know who did the job?

A Yes.

Q How long afterward was this contact made with the police department?

A I believe it was just after we came back from Arkansas. Possibly a week or ten days afterward. Burrhead and I met John Evans on the street one day. Burrhead spoke to him.

Q Did you have any idea what was going to happen that night?

A Well, I kind of figured something was going to happen but I didn't think it would be a killing. I figured a whipping if he didn't do something. That was on account of Freddy. I expected Freddy Barker to be there when we drove up. He was supposed to be there. Freddy and a couple of other fellows came to town either the next day or the day afterward and stayed at Clarence Smith's Tourist Camp.

Q The next day after he was killed?

A The day after he was killed. That is when they were first seen.

Q You thought this one car was Freddy Barker and knew the other was Harry Campbell?

A Yes. Freddy was supposed to be there. He had hired this Smith to get Doc out of the penitentiary. He claims they gave Smith \$10,000.00 to get Doc out. Have heard since that J. J. Glynn at Leavenworth is the one got Doc out. It was kind of a mixed-up affair. I remember one time, I believe it was at Joplin, there was a piece in the paper about Freddy being shot, working in a bake shop. Campbell said "I would like to get my hands on him" or words to that

effect. "He promised me two grand".

Q Were you suspicious that they would bump you off after this job?

A I didn't trust them any too much. That is where me and the Jew (Eddie Snyder) fell out. He was treacherous. I was afraid I would go to sleep sometime and he would slip up on me. We got so we argued all the time. Campbell - I didn't figure he would because I was clearly indispensable to him because he was crippled and had to have somebody help him. The only think that we ever had an argument about was over Mildred, my wife. Had a little argument over the car at Sapulpa. I was more afraid of the Jew (Eddie Snyder) than of anybody else.

Q That time he got picked up in Tulsa, he got sent up?

A Yes. Got time on two jobs they pulled before I got there.

Q What job was that?

A The Smith Bakery, at 7th & Kanosho. It looked to me like I got myself out to where I was blowed up whether I went or backed out. I wouldn't have stood any chance with my record of ever beating the case. Probably would have went in and plead guilty. They would have given me the chair to make an example of me. Oh yes, I remember something else now. While we were in Webbs' yard and they were trying to pacify me, Campbell spoke up and said "That was the best break you ever had. Now we stand a good chance of filling in with Freddy and those boys. Just as soon as my legs get all right, that is where I am going." But I never did get in with the Barker gang.

Q You think from that that was one reason Harry wanted to bump him off, to show that gang?

A That was mainly the reason, I believe. Just the fact that he owed Smith \$3,200.00... the only thing Smith could do to him was tell the law two or three places where Harry hung out. I will always believe it was on account of Freddy Barker. Those calls surely have some bearing on the case somewhere because I remember three different calls. They had to be on the dot. Campbell didn't have a phone and phoned next door. It had to be on the spot. If it wasn't Freddy wouldn't talk. They made a certain agreement when they talked about the exact time when he would call him again. There was something between them he didn't let out. I believe the main trouble was that Smith had double-crossed Freddy and that is the only reason they killed him. But I can't see where the Jew would come in. Of course the Jew (Eddie Snyder) is crazy and is really as insane as a man will ever be without being a maniac.

Q Whereabouts did he come from?

A I believe from Denver. Nobody knew much about him. He was rated as a Kansas City gangster. He is part Dago and part Jew, I believe. He has people somewhere but I don't know where they are.

He spoke of Denver and also of Kansas City. He was with the Ogilby gang. He was in McAlister when I went there. I never met Campbell until after I got out of McAlister in 1932.

Q You got out of McAlister when?

A 28th of August, 1932. I met Snyder and Campbell.

Q Who threw the gun in the water?

A I guess Eddie did. It was his gun. A 45.

I have read this statement and same is true to the best of my knowledge.

James Lawson
April 1st, 1936

Witness

A. E. Farland
Special Agent
Fed. Bu. of Investigation
U. S. Dept. of Justice
Kan. City, Mo.

On April 1, 1936, Special Agent A. E. Farland interviewed convict James Lawson, register number 11830, Kansas State Industrial Reformatory, at Hutchinson, Kansas. He was questioned as to what connections Harry Campbell had and stated that Harry Campbell had a sister, whose name he did not give, who lived at Iowa Park, Texas, a little town close to Wichita Falls, Texas; that at one time Harry Campbell was in the hospital there taking treatment for gonorrhea rheumatism; that while Harry was in the hospital Wynona Burdette would stay with Harry's sister.

Lawson was questioned as to whether or not he knew Ida White or Ida Jennings. He stated that Ida Jennings was Glenn LeRoy Wright's girl and was arrested at Coffeyville, Kansas in November, 1933 with his, Lawson's, wife, Mildred Lawson; that he traded out on this case and the women were released. He was unable to say where his ex-wife, Mildred Lawson, is at the present time but stated her home is in Nevada, Missouri and he believed Ida Jennings was in or around Tulsa, Oklahoma at this time.

Further connections of Campbell's around Joplin, Missouri are as follows: The boss gambler there named Carol Hardwick, who, Lawson states, was well acquainted with Campbell. Also one Jimmy Gould who runs a night club there and who is reported by Lawson to be an informant for the Joplin Police Department. Gould also has a number of taxicabs there and several of the city police formerly drove cabs for him. Also one Art Jackson, a bootlegger there who is a friend of Burrhead Keady. Lawson states that Keady is supposed to be the "finger man" in all robberies that took place; that he

never took part in a robbery but was always in on the cut, receiving 10% of the proceeds.

Lawson states that just out of Springfield, Missouri, between there and Joplin, or as near as he could judge about eighteen miles out of Springfield there is a tourist camp which is called the Rustic Cabins; that the mob used to stop there. This tourist camp is run by a man whose name he was unable to recall, but stated that Jimmy Gould of Joplin knows him very well; that the state of Missouri requires everyone to register at a tourist camp but at this place they were not required to register.

At Springfield, Missouri, another contact is a hotel clerk employed at the Colonial Hotel, who is very well known to Jimmy Gould, who has a home between Marshfield and Springfield. This party is a "finger man" for this mob; that he had been trying for some time to finger a bank at Marshfield. He believes this is located on Highway 66 but was unable to get anyone to pull this job as there was no getaway. This hotel clerk, Lawson states, knows Karpis, Campbell and the rest of the gang.

Lawson advised Agent Farland that he had been furnishing information to Major Wint Smith and Joe Anderson, of the Kansas State Highway Patrol; that they were in a position to do something for him and stated he would prefer to have them present before he did much talking. He did state that the first or second time he was interviewed while he was an inmate of the Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas, or shortly after the Bremer kidnaping, Clarence Eno, now serving a sentence in that institution for Bank Robbery, had been with Karpis, Campbell and others in Chicago; that just prior to his interview with Agent in the Warden's office he and Clarence Eno had been talking about this case. However, he stated that he decided not to give any information as to their whereabouts at that time and that now it was too late.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE KANSAS CITY OFFICE at Joplin, Missouri, will conduct appropriate investigation to ascertain the location and activities of "Dutch" and "Shorty" Pinson, and to determine whether it is possible that Karpis or Campbell may be in touch with these individuals.

Will also determine the identity, location and activities of Carol Hardwick, a gambler in Joplin, as well as Jimmy Gould, who is supposed to run a night club in that city. It may be mentioned here that Jimmy Gould is supposed to be known to the police in Joplin, Missouri.

At Springfield, Missouri, will attempt to ascertain the name of the hotel clerk mentioned by Jim Lawson, who is supposed to

be in the employ of the Colonial Hotel at Springfield, Missouri, and who, as stated by Lawson, is a friend of Jimmy Gould.

Will also attempt to locate the Rustic Tourist Cabins on the highway between Springfield and Joplin, about eighteen miles out of Springfield, Missouri.

One copy of this report is being sent to the Dallas Office for its information and no undeveloped leads are being set out for that office inasmuch as the file reflects investigation has been conducted in the past concerning Campbell's activities at Iowa Park, Texas.

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REPORT MADE AT NEW ORLEANS	DATE WHEN MADE 4-2-36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/27-31/36	REPORT MADE BY L. I. BOWMAN
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; ET AL;			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM.</p> <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, is location of four-apartment house owned by Chas. G. Sanders, retired motorman of the Mississippi Light & Power Co. Sanders fails to identify photograph of subjects Karpis and Campbell, but recalls a party by the name of McGee (Possibly McGhee) who occupied one apartment about a year ago. Chick Frankinson, well known gambler and bootlegger around Jackson, Mississippi, now residing in Room 712 Walthall Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Kansas City Bureau Office letter to the Bureau dated March 26, 1936.</p> <p>DETAILS: <u>AT JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI.</u></p> <p>An examination of the 1935 Jackson, Mississippi City Directory reflected that C. G. Sanders, property owner, and T. W. Cranford, Sr., resided at 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi.</p> <p>Mr. J. M. Stephens, Divisional Engineer, Mississippi Power & Light Company, upon interview advised that his records indicated that 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, was the location of a four-apartment house, and that each of the gas and electric meters located at these four apartments were registered in the name of Chas. G. Sanders.</p>			
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Mr. Stephens advised that Mr. Sanders was a retired motorman of the Mississippi Light & Power Company, and that so far as he knew, Mr. Sanders was perfectly reliable and could be approached openly for assistance in this investigation.

Mr. A. M. Todd, Chief Clerk, Mississippi Power & Light Company, upon interview stated that Mr. Charles Sanders had been employed as a motorman for thirty-three years by the Mississippi Power & Light Company, and had been retired on pension several years ago. He stated that Mr. Sanders was well liked throughout the community and was affectionately called "Uncle Charlie" by many. Mr. Todd advised that Mr. Sanders had a son, Charles Sanders, married and residing at Birmingham, Alabama, and that he had a married daughter, a Mrs. Barr, presently located at Detroit, Michigan. According to Mr. Todd, Mrs. Barr is a widow of a son of Tom Barr, former Postmaster at Jackson, Mississippi. He stated that so far as he knew, Mr. Sanders had always been fair in his relations with the company and that he felt sure that he could be approached openly for assistance in this matter.

J. E. Simmons, Chief of Police, Jackson, Mississippi, upon interview advised that he was well acquainted with Charles Sanders, who had been a resident of Jackson, Mississippi for a great number of years. When questioned about an underworld character in the vicinity of Jackson, Mississippi by the name of "Chick" Chief Simmons stated that he was acquainted with a bootlegger and gambler by the name of "CHICK FRANKINSON" who had been arrested by his Department on several occasions for bootlegging. He stated that he never knew of Chick Frankinson's residing at 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, the address of Charles Sanders. He informed that it was his belief that Chick Frankinson was presently working for a party by the name of "BRASLEY" who operated a joint on the other side of the River, located on Highway 49, just beyond the East Side Lumber Company. Chief Simmons was unable to furnish a photograph of Chick Frankinson or a criminal record of this individual, in the absence of Detective Crawford, Identification man for his Department, who is at this time attending the Police School in Washington, D. C.

Mr. B. S. Jordan, postman who delivers mail to 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, stated that he was delivering mail to this address to Mr. Charles Sanders, owner of the premises and retired street car motorman, for Mrs. L. E. Lowe and to Louise and Irene Story or Storie, and that about a year ago he also delivered mail to T. W. Cranford, Jr. An examination of his forwarding addresses reflected that T. W. Cranford, Jr. began receiving mail at 720 College Street on September 13, 1934, but when he left this address he failed to leave a forwarding notice.

Photographs of subjects Karpis and Campbell were exhibited to Mr. B. S. Jordan, but he failed to identify them as bearing any likeness to any of the individuals whom he remembered as having resided at 720 College Street. He did state, however, that the photographs reminded him of persons he had seen. It is possible that Jordan may have seen these photographs in some magazine or newspaper publication. Mr. Jordan was not advised as to the identity of the individuals whose photographs were exhibited to him.

Mr. Chas. G. Sanders, 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, upon interview advised that since his wife's death in October of 1935 he had been sharing his apartment at this address with his niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Lowe; that the two Story or Storie girls, who are employed at the overall factory, had occupied one of the upper apartments for the past eight months, while the other upper apartment had been occupied by a Mr. Wright, a brick mason, for the past five or six months. The remaining lower apartment, according to Mr. Sanders, was occupied by a Mrs. Thompson and her two young sons, ages about eighteen and twenty respectively. He stated that the Thompsons had been residing in this apartment for the past month. Mr. Sanders stated that his wife had taken care of the rental of the apartments prior to her death, and that she had been very particular and fussy, and as a result of this the turnover of tenants had been quite frequent. He stated that he did not recall any tenant by the name of "Chick" as having resided in one of his apartments, but informed that he did know of a "Chick Frankinson" - a local gambler and bootlegger, but insisted that he had never resided in one of his apartments.

Photographs of subjects Karpis and Campbell were exhibited to Mr. Sanders and he failed to identify them as bearing likeness to any of his previous tenants or anyone whom he had seen visiting at 720 College Street.

Mr. Sanders stated that the name "Tom Hill" was not familiar to him but informed that T. W. Cranford and his wife and a Mr. and Mrs. McGee (possibly McGhee) had occupied one of his upper apartments together and had remained for about six months. He stated that both of these couples moved out about a year ago and that he did not know where they could be presently located. It was his understanding, however, that Mrs. Cranford was employed at the J. C. Penny & Company in Jackson, Mississippi, while Mr. Cranford was supposed to have been a Government employee of some kind. Regarding McGee or McGhee, Mr. Sanders could furnish very little information but stated that he was under the impression that McGee had been interested in a motor freight company operating between Jackson, Mississippi, and Monroe and Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. Sanders described McGee as follows:

Name:	----- McGEE or MCGHEE.
Age:	35
Height:	5' 10"
Weight:	150 to 160
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Dark
Face:	Smooth shaven
Eyeglasses:	Wore no glasses.

Mr. Sanders, who is seventy-nine years of age, appeared to be a very reputable man and was very frank in his answers and seemed to be anxious to cooperate in this matter. Mr. Sanders was not furnished the identity of subjects Karpis or Campbell. No record of rentals of apartments was maintained by Mr. Sanders.

Deputy United States Marshal R. E. Hollingsworth, former Deputy Sheriff of Hinds County, Mississippi, upon interview stated that he was well acquainted with Chick Frankinson and that Frankinson was a well known bootlegger and gambler about Jackson, Mississippi. He stated that he was of the opinion that Chick Frankinson was at the present time working for a bootlegger by the name of C. B. Beasley, who operated a joint on Highway 49 just beyond the East Side Lumber Company. Mr. Hollingsworth referred this agent to G. M. Buford, a reliable, confidential informant of his for further information as to the present location of Chick Frankinson and for identification of his associates.

Mr. G. M. Buford, 114 Oak Street, Jackson, Mississippi, upon interview stated that Chick Frankinson was well known to him and that he was a bootlegger and gambler and at the present time was working for a bootlegger by the name of Beasley over on the other side of the road (Pearl River). He stated that he did not know where Chick Frankinson was residing but would be able to furnish this information within a few hours.

G. M. Buford reported to agent later that Chick Frankinson was registered at 315 - Walthall Hotel, Jackson, Mississippi. Buford was unable to identify the photographs of subjects Karpis and Campbell as bearing any likeness of underworld characters whom he had seen in and about Jackson, Mississippi, but stated that he would observe carefully any of Frankinson's associates in the future and would notify the New Orleans Bureau Office in the event they were seen about Jackson, Mississippi.

b7C [REDACTED] and he has access to all joints in this vicinity. He promised to cooperate with this Bureau. He was furnished the New Orleans Bureau Office telephone and address for future use.

Mr. E. W. Freeman, Manager, Walthall Hotel, was recommended as being reliable by Deputy United States Marshal Hollingsworth.

Mr. E. W. Freeman upon interview advised that his records indicated that Chick Frankinson had moved from Room 315 to Room 712, Walthall Hotel. Chick Frankinson has been registered at this hotel for the past two months.

It is possible that informant McGHEE, referred to in the letter of reference, has resided at 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi, and during his stay there became acquainted with Frankinson, whom he knew or recalled as "Chick." It seems impossible that subjects Karpis or Campbell have ever had any contacts at 720 College Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

Again referring to the letter of reference, it is noted that informant McGhee mentioned one, JACK STARR, of Shreveport, Louisiana, as a possible contact for subjects Karpis and Campbell. A review of files in the New Orleans Bureau

Office reflects a case entitled - THOMAS HILL; JAMES INGRAM; NATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT ACT; Buffalo Origin; New Orleans File 26-781. This case was opened at the New Orleans Office on February 6, 1928, and referred upon completion to the Buffalo Office on December 31, 1928. On December 8, 1928, Special Agent N. L. Dickson, New Orleans, Louisiana, submitted a report setting forth the information that James Ingram and Ralph Fraser, apparently an alias of Thomas Hill, registered at the Starr Hotel at Shreveport, Louisiana, during October 1927, and it was apparently during that time that they stole a Chrysler Roadster, the property of Guy E. Callender of Shreveport, Louisiana, and transported same to Rochester, New York, where they were apprehended. Ingram was tried on a robbery charge in the State Court and convicted and sentenced to twenty-five years in the Auburn State Prison, Auburn, New York. Prosecution of Hill on similar charges in the State Court proved unsuccessful. On December 13, 1928, the United States Commissioner at Rochester, New York discharged Hill, who was then facing a charge for a violation of the National Motor Vehicle Theft Act. The only description of Thomas Hill appearing in the New Orleans File is as follows:

Name:	THOMAS HILL
Age:	(20 in 1928)
Born:	January 7, 1907 in West Virginia.
Parents:	Deceased.

It is possible that the Jack Starr referred to by informant McGee has some connection with the Starr Hotel, and investigation along this line will be conducted at Shreveport, Louisiana.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE NEW ORLEANS OFFICE: At Shreveport, Louisiana, will conduct appropriate investigation through the Police Department and other sources there, to determine the present existence of the Starr or Star Hotel, as well as the present address of Jack Starr, obtaining all information concerning his identity.

At Jackson, Mississippi, will conduct further investigation to determine the identity of T. W. Cranford. Louise Cranford, the wife, was supposed to have been employed at the J. C. Penny Company.

Will contact Detective Crawford, of the Jackson, Mississippi Police Department, obtaining photographs and criminal record of Chick Frankinson.

Will again contact G. M. Buford, 114 Oak Street, Jackson, Mississippi, relative to any information he may have obtained regarding Frankinson's contacts.

P E N D I N G .

Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois.

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

The Chicago Bureau Office file in this matter reflects the following undeveloped leads, the results of the investigation of which have not to date been reported:

The report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, Kansas City, Missouri, dated January 16, 1936, sets forth a lead requesting investigation by your office relative to the location of 1931 Ford Cabriolet containing a person identified as possibly being Alvin Karpis.

The Birmingham Office letter to the Kansas City Office dated January 18, 1936, requests investigation in the Rosedale section to ascertain whether William Elmer Wood is presently residing there. Some investigation has been conducted by your office concerning this, but it is believed that further investigation should be made in this residential section of Kansas City.

The report of Special Agent R. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated February 4, 1936, sets forth a lead to further interview Edward Bible at the Kansas State Penitentiary relative to Bessie Green, and further sets forth a lead to interview Charley Harris concerning one George Dunn. Additional interviews with these individuals apparently have not been reported.

The report of Special Agent C. G. Campbell, Butte, Montana, dated February 25, 1936, requests that your office interview Richard Woodward at Eldorado, Kansas, relative to a bond transaction he is alleged to have had with one "Red" Lester.

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Edward J. O'Brien

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The Cleveland Office letter to the Kansas City Office dated February 27, 1936, requests that your office ascertain the motor number of 1935 Ford V-8 bearing Kansas plates #511020 and determine if the same was owned by Milton Lett and, if so, to circularize the various Bureau offices.

The report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated March 13, 1936, sets forth a lead to further interview Ora Collins relative to the possible location of Milton Lett. This report also advises that your office would continue the investigation concerning Elmer Prazier. The results of recent inquiries in connection with this matter should be promptly reported.

The report of Special Agent Kenneth Logan, Omaha, Nebraska, dated March 2, 1936, requested that your office conduct investigation relative to Alice and May Smith, Medicine Lodge, Kansas.

The report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated March 2, 1936, sets out a lead for your office to conduct investigation at Kansas City and Fort Riley, Kansas, concerning J. C. Howard. This report also requests further investigation at Arkansas City, Kansas, concerning Tom Hodgen. This report further states that further investigation will be made at McPherson, Kansas, to locate A. V. Ferris; and further leads are set out in this report for investigation by your office at Parsons, Kansas, and Nevada and Seneca, Missouri, concerning Milton Lett and R. E. Hance. These matters should be closely followed as the location of Lett and Lucile Ferris are of the utmost importance at the present time.

The St. Louis Office letter dated March 6, 1936, requested that your office interview Willis J. Leperance at the Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Missouri, concerning the information he is alleged to have concerning Alvin Karpis.

The Chicago Office letter addressed to the Director, a copy of which was furnished to your office, dated March 10, 1936, requested all field offices to conduct

appropriate investigation at the various resorts in their districts commonly referred to as sulphur springs or mineral wells in an effort to determine whether Harry Campbell was frequenting these places.

The report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated March 11, 1936, sets forth a lead for your office to contact the police departments at Springfield, Missouri, and Topeka, Kansas, concerning William Elmer Mead.

The Bureau letter dated March 13, 1936, requests that your office interview Jim Lawson concerning a newspaper item which states that Lawson confessed to participation in the murder of J. Earl Smith.

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The report of Special Agent W. E. Hopton, Kansas City, Missouri, dated March 17, 1936, sets forth an additional lead for your office concerning William Robinson at Joplin, Missouri, and an additional lead to interview A. V. Ferris for information concerning Lucile Ferris.

Chicago Office letter dated March 19, 1936, requested that you maintain very close contact with Doyle Hollingsworth for possible information concerning Milton Lett. You are requested to immediately advise the Chicago Office of the results of the recent contacts had with Mr. Hollingsworth, as the investigation by your office has revealed that there is a strong possibility that Lett can be located with the assistance of this individual.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO.

FILE NO. 7-33-

REPORT MADE AT DALLAS, TEXAS	DATE WHEN MADE 4/4/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/17, 26/36	REPORT MADE BY D. W. GLEASON
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE I. O. # 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. # 1236; ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATL. FIREARMS ACT
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Continued cooperation of postal employees at Holliday, Texas, in effort to locate subject Campbell assured. Address of Sheperds at Iowa Park secured and mail cover place. Pauline Shepard, niece of Subject Campbell, gives information consistent with that of her mother, Mrs. H. L. McNeel, relative Clell Campbell's recent visit. Additional tracings received of letters addressed to C. R. Swan, c/o Mima Gibson, Pampa, but Swan's relation to case not determined. Recent letter to Mrs. R. R. Mackie, Pampa, bearing no return address and postcard to Mrs. Gibson described herein.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P</p> <p>REFERENCE: Reports of Special Agent D. W. Gleason, Dallas, Texas, dated 3-11-36 and 3-14-36.</p> <p>DETAILS: At HOLLIDAY, TEXAS, Mrs. Mabel Darden, Assistant Postmaster, who recently supplied the Dallas Office information upon which it was subsequently learned that Clell Campbell had visited his sister, Myrtle McNeel, at Holliday, was contacted by Agent in order to assure her of the appreciation of the Bureau for her assistance in this case. She advised Agent that to her knowledge Clell Campbell has not returned to Holliday, nor have the McNeels had any other visitors since Clell departed for Tulsa, Oklahoma. Mrs. Darden informed Agent she would continue to cooperate by notifying the Dallas Office when she has any information that might prove of value in locating Harry Campbell.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F. J. Benson</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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At IOWA PARK, TEXAS, Postmaster C. C. Burrows, advised Agent that he was not acquainted with either Pauline Sheperd or her husband, Crawford Sheperd, and could not, therefore, supply any information that would indicate that Harry Campbell is contacting his relatives through his niece, the said Pauline Sheperd. However, Mrs. Burrows informed Agent that some person having the surname Sheperd was employed on a W. P. A. project at Iowa Park. Agent and Mr. Burrows visited the project referred to, and while walking about the grounds located Mr. Sheperd, and engaged in conversation with him. He furnished the following information: That his initials are J. P.; that his son, W. C. Sheperd (Crawford), presently employed on a road construction project near Iowa Park, is married to Pauline McNeel, daughter of Mrs. Howard L. (Myrtle) McNeel of Holliday, Texas; that Pauline spends nearly every week end with her mother at Holliday; that he, J. P. Sheperd, is a farmer, and widower, and receives his mail on a rural route out of Iowa Park; that W. C. Sheperd and Pauline receive their mail through general delivery at Iowa Park. Mr. Sheperd further informed of the location of W. C. and Pauline in Iowa Park, which can be described only as being one block south of the Presbyterian Church, thence west to the second house in the second block west.

Pauline Sheperd, Iowa Park, interviewed under the same pretext as that mentioned in reference report in connection with interview with her mother, gave the same information and consistent with that furnished by her mother in reference report. She advised that both her father, H. L. McNeel and mother accompanied her uncle, Clell Campbell, when they visited her at Iowa Park Monday, March 9, 1936, arriving between 5 and 6 o'clock in the afternoon; that this was the first time she had ever seen Clell Campbell, and that her mother had explained to her that Clell Campbell had not seen her, Pauline, since the latter was a baby; that her parents and Clell Campbell returned to Holliday after a short visit. Pauline seemed to be unable or unwilling to state any further information concerning Clell Campbell, except that he at one time was supposed to be in Souther America, and is presently visiting his parents at Tulsa, Oklahoma. Reference is made to the description of Clell Campbell in reference report, and it is to be noted here that Pauline stated his eyes are blue, and all other descriptive items given by her are consistent with the description mentioned.

Postmaster Burrows advised Agent that he will watch all mail of the Sheperds for a thirty-day period, and submit tracings to the Dallas Office.

At PAMPA, TEXAS, David E. Cecil, Postmaster, who prior to Agent's visit had submitted to the Dallas Office a tracing of a letter addressed to Mr. C. R. Swann, c/o Minnie Gibson, Box 1672, Pampa, Texas, postmarked Levelland, Texas, March 12, 1936, bearing no return address, exhibited to Agent another letter postmarked Levelland, Texas, March 20, 1936, bearing no return address and addressed to Mr. C. R. Swann in the same manner as above. Mr. Cecil advised Agent that he has not learned the identity of or any information concerning C. R. Swann that would tend to indicate his

connection, if any, with this case. Mr. Cecil still believes that Swann is an oil field worker who has recently established residence in one of the Mima Gibson cabins at Pampa, Texas.

It was necessary for Agent to proceed to Dalhart, Texas, to expedite another investigation, and for that reason no further investigation was made concerning Swann.

Mr. Cecil also exhibited to Agent the following communications which arrived shortly before Agent's visit, and on which tracing had not been sent to the Dallas Office:

(1) A postcard marked Toledo, Illinois, 3-18-36, 11 a.m. addressed to Mrs. Mima Gibson, Pampa, Texas, Box 1672, signed "Grand". This card contained only remarks as to the improved health of "grand" and the condition and contents of "grand's" garden.

(2) Letter addressed to Mrs. R. R. Mackie, Pampa, Texas, Box 1672. This envelope contained postage in the amount of nine cents, was a bulky letter, and the envelope appeared to have been previously folded. There was, however, no return address, and the postmark, while indicating the date March 16, 1936, was not clear as to the name of the City in Texas at which it was mailed. Mr. Cecil explained that the lack of clearness in the name of the city in the postmark was not due to a faulty stamp at the post office where mailed but was due to the fact that the letter was so bulky the stamp did not make a clear impression. It was Mr. Cecil's opinion, upon examination of the postmark with magnifying glass, that the name of the city contained five letters, the only discernible letters being 'A - - T - N', and the last letter, 'N', being the only one of the three of which he was positive.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DALLAS OFFICE

At Pampa, Texas: Will make appropriate investigation to ascertain what connection, if any, C. R. Swann has in instant case.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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April 6, 1936

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, Salt Lake City

BREKID AGENT MCLAUGHLIN AUTHORIZED PARTICIPATE IN ARREST OF
FRANKIE FOSTER AND IF FOSTER APPREHENDED HE SHOULD BE
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ALVIN KARPIS

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April 4, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. KENDRICK.

Re: Removal of miscellaneous material from the Laboratory.

There are at present a number of items in the Laboratory which have been submitted by field offices with evidence for Laboratory examinations, although the articles themselves are of no value to the Laboratory.

The problem has arisen of storing such items and it is therefore suggested that the Chief Clerk's office designate a store room where material recovered by field offices not of value to the Laboratory may be maintained until such time as it may be recalled for trial purposes or else permanently disposed of.

There is listed below a number of items that the Laboratory desires to immediately dispose of. The field offices submitting this material, however, have expressed the desire that the Bureau retain these articles pending outcome of further investigations:

One medical kit confiscated on January 8, 1935 from the apartment occupied by Arthur "Doc" Barker, 433 Surf Street, Chicago, Illinois.

One medical kit confiscated on January 16, 1935 from house occupied by Fred and Kate Barker at Oklawaha, Florida.

Two bullet-proof vests confiscated January 8, 1935, from apartment of Russell Gibson, Chicago, Illinois.

One black Gladstone bag used to contain above listed items.

All of the items listed below were recovered from the apartment of Edward Wilhelm Bentz:

One black suitcase used to transport recovered firearms to the Laboratory.

One 5" blade knife.

One rubber inner tube used to contain .40 caliber rifle.

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One thermos jug used to contain ammunition.

One milk can containing roofing nails.

All of the above listed items can be immediately turned over to the Chief Clerk's office upon receipt of approval of the above suggestion.

Respectfully,

E. P. Coffey.

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612 Marine Trust Bldg.,
Buffalo, N.Y.

April 3, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
New York City.

Re: WEYNAP, STOLLNAP, and
BREKID

Dear Sir:

With reference to the recent Bureau letters concerning the placing in various publications photographs of subjects wanted in the above named cases, please be advised that it was ascertained from E. Earl Axtel, Secretary to the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada, that each State Masonic order has its particular publications, and that it is believed that appropriate arrangements could be effected whereby the desired photographs could be inserted in these various publications, if proper contacts were made.

Mr. Axtel stated that Mr. T. C. O'Donnell is the Editor of the New York publication known as "The New York Masonic Outlook", which has an approximate distribution of 100,000 copies. Mr. O'Donnell is located with the "Board of General Activities", 71 West 23rd Street, New York City.

Mr. Axtel stated that Mr. O'Donnell could furnish the names of the proper persons to be contacted in the various states, whereby arrangements could be effected for appropriate publication if and when it is definitely decided upon by the Bureau. For the information of the New York office some of the publications are here listed:

Texas Grand Lodge Magazine, Illinois Freemason combined with The Masonic News, and the Masonic Analyst.

It is respectfully requested that appropriate contact be made with Mr. O'Donnell, advising the Bureau and this office of the results of said interview.

Very truly yours,

B. E. SACKETT,
Special Agent in Charge

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Lack of Cooperation on part of
Post Office Inspectors during
Investigation of Bremer Case.

During a telephonic conversation with Mr. Connelley at Little Rock, Arkansas, I informed him that you had requested me to prepare and submit to you a memorandum outlining the above entitled matter. In this connection, I pointed out to Mr. Connelley that about all the information presently in the possession of the Bureau concerning this is that contained in telephone memoranda, which, of course, is not complete and detailed information. I requested Mr. Connelley to prepare and submit to the Bureau just as soon as possible a memorandum outlining his observations on this subject during the course of the instant investigation.

Respectfully,

P. E. FOKWORTH.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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FILE NO. 7-3

REPORT MADE AT Phoenix, Arizona	DATE WHEN MADE 4/3/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/2/36	REPORT MADE BY H. E. ANDERSEN VB
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I. O. #1236; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Buick sedan, motor #63052198, not registered or recorded in visitors' files of Motor Vehicle Division, Arizona State Highway Department, Phoenix, Arizona. N. O. Bell has not applied for driver's license. Stop card placed.

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REFERENCE: Letter from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Little Rock, Arkansas, to Aberdeen, 4/1/36.

DETAILS:

Mrs. Lola Miller, Motor Vehicle Division, Arizona State Highway Department, Phoenix, Arizona, after checking her records, advised that 1936 model 4-door Buick sedan, motor #63052198, serial #2895972, is not registered in the State of Arizona, and that there is no record of this car in the visitors' files.

Mrs. Miller also advised that the records of the Motor Vehicle Division disclose that N. O. Bell has not applied for a driver's license in the State of Arizona.

A stop card has been placed and the Phoenix office will be advised should any information be received regarding the Buick sedan in question, or N. O. Bell.

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LAT for H. F. 4/2/36

Letter to Mr. Bart A. Riley, Miami, Florida.

Has Mr. Barlow's copy of this letter been transmitted to him?

*Delivered in person by
Mr. Lintire 4/7/36.*

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FROM: DIVISION #1 & DIVISION #2

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TO: Director
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Miss Conlon
Mr. Ward

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Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

*Call to Director attention
and note yellow copy of
by Mr. Barlow.*

E. A. Tamm - 5742.

KRM:TD

April 2, 1936

Mr. Bart A. Riley,
Suite 1025-1038,
Seybold Building,
Miami, Florida.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of March 24, 1936, please be informed that the following Agents conducted the investigation with regard to Nathaniel H. Heller in Cuba:

E. K. McKee,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
232 Uptown Station and Federal
Courts Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

R. D. Brown,

Special Agent, in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
722 Midland Savings Building,
Denver, Colorado.

and
W. E. Peters,

Mr. Peters is no longer in the service of this Bureau and his present location is not known to me at this writing.

You are further informed that the following Agents conducted the investigation in Miami, Florida with regard to Henry "Duke" Randall:

J. H. Hanson,

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
617 Federal Building,
Los Angeles, California.

R. L. Jones MAILED

Now Chief of Police, Dallas, Texas.

P. C. Dunne, APR - 2 1936

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
232 Uptown Station and Federal
Courts Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

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- Mr. Baughman
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- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Joseph
- Mr. Keith
- Mr. Lester
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Schilder
- Mr. Tamm
- Mr. Tracy
- Miss Gandy

L. B. Nichols,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

F. M. Stone,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
820 Federal Building,
Birmingham, Alabama.

J. W. Going,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
607 U. S. Court House, Foley Square,
New York, New York.

and
L. J. Metcalf

Mr. Metcalf is no longer in the
service of this Bureau and his
present location is not known to me.

Please be further advised that the following Special Agents were
registered at the El Comodoro Hotel in Miami, Florida during the investi-
gation of this matter at that point:

M. C. Falkner,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1331 First National Bank Building,
El Paso, Texas.

H. C. Douglas,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

C. O. Hurt,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
420 Post Office Building,
Dallas, Texas.

Bart A. Riley

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C. G. Campbell,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
802 Federal Building,
Butte, Montana.

The following Special Agents interviewed Joseph H. Adams:

S. K. McKee,

Special Agent,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
232 Uptown Station and Federal
Courts Building,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

R. L. Jones
and
J. H. Hanson,

Now Chief of Police, Dallas, Texas

Special Agent in Charge,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
617 Federal Building,
Los Angeles, California.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc-Mr. Walter L. Barlow, Special Asst. to the Attorney General
E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

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April 2, 1936.

MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL McMAHON

I am transmittting herewith, for your information, a copy of my reply to the letter received from Mr. Bart A. Riley, Attorney, Suite 1025-1038, Seybold Building, Miami, Florida, in which Mr. Riley requested the names and addresses of the Special Agents of this Bureau who were engaged upon the investigation concerning the Bremer case in Florida. This letter was submitted to Special Assistant to the Attorney General, Mr. Walter L. Barlow, and approved by him before I signed it.

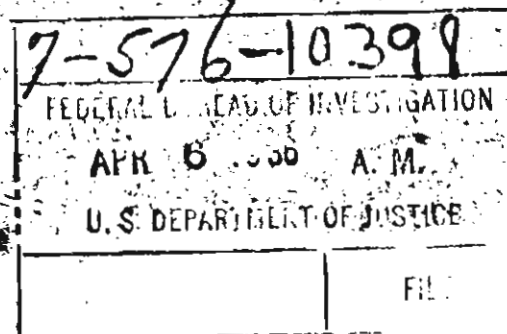
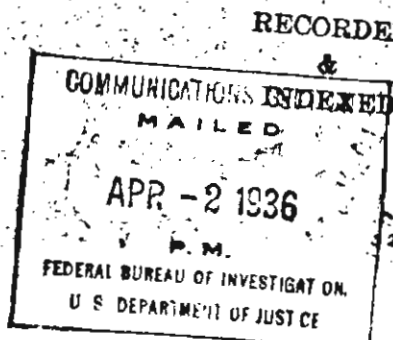
Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

April 1, 1936

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Re: Brekid

With reference to the letter of Bart A. Riley directed to the Bureau dated March 24, 1936, please be informed that I have reviewed the files and have made inquiries through the Chief Clerk's Office in the Bureau and have ascertained that Special Agents H. C. Douglas and M. C. Falkner registered into Rooms 917 and 1001, respectively, of the El Commodore Hotel on November 18, 1934 and registered out on November 19, 1934; that Special Agents C. G. Campbell and C. O. Hurt registered into a room in the said hotel on the 11th floor on November 19, 1934, but the reports fail to indicate the exact room they occupied and the exact time they registered out of said room. The records of the Chief Clerk's Office disclose that Agents Hurt and Campbell arrived in Miami, Florida on November 18, 1934 to conduct an investigation in this matter and that they departed from Miami, Florida on December 5, 1934, at which time they proceeded directly to San Francisco, California, to be of service in the John Paul Chase matter.

The records of the Chief Clerk's Office also disclose that former Inspector Samuel P. Cowley and former Special Agent H. E. Hollis arrived in Miami, Florida with Agents Hurt and Campbell by airplane on November 18, 1934; that Agent Hollis departed from Miami on November 21, 1934 and proceeded to Chicago, Illinois, while Inspector Cowley departed from Miami on November 21, 1934 and proceeded to Washington, D. C. It is my opinion that Agents Hurt and Campbell did not remain for any length of time registered at the El Commodore Hotel, because the records of the Chief Clerk's Office of the Bureau indicate that on November 23, 1934 they were registered at the LaSalle Hotel at Miami Beach, Florida.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

APRIL 1, 1936.

Transmit the following message to: SAC CLEVELAND

SPECIAL AGENTS HURT OF DALLAS, MURPHY OF OKLAHOMA CITY, McNULTY OF KANSAS CITY, MADALA OF LOUISVILLE, ARMS OF CHICAGO, HAVE BEEN INSTRUCTED REPORT YOUR OFFICE. AGENT SMITH ALSO RETURNING. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED IF NECESSARY TO CALL UPON DETROIT, CHICAGO FOR NECESSARY EQUIPMENT.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida.

April 6, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:-

RE: BREKID

As you have been advised the trial of Myrtle Eaton on the indictments pending against her at Jacksonville, is tentatively set for April 21, 1936. In discussing this case with Assistant United States Attorney William A. Paisley, Jacksonville, he indicated that there was at least a strong possibility that the case could not be tried due to the fact that there has been a number of other cases previously set for the week in question, and it was somewhat doubtful that this case could be taken care of. He desires, however, that the necessary preparation be made in order that the Government may be in a position to present its strongest case. In this connection he requested that there be available at the time of the trial the various weapons which were found in the house occupied by Weaver and Myrtle Eaton at the time of their apprehension. It appears from the file that these have been previously forwarded to the Bureau. Mr. Paisley suggested that these weapons not be forwarded to Jacksonville until a short time prior to the trial date, in view of the possibility of the case being continued. He also suggested that the various Agents who will be needed as witnesses be notified of the fact that they will be required as witnesses, but that they await a further notice before proceeding to Jacksonville. This office will keep in close touch with the situation and will advise the Bureau and the various interested offices definitely as soon as it is possible to do so.

Mr. Paisley states that he will require the presence at Jacksonville of the following Agents:

J. E. Brennan, *St. Paul*
M. J. Cassidy, *Buff*
M. W. Meekins, *Nea*
D. P. Sullivan, *the*
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In addition to the above Agents Mr. Paisley advised that the presence of Special Agent Truett E. Rowe will probably be necessary for the purpose of stating that he made investigation at Johnson City, Tenn.,

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and found that there is no house at 517 Maple Street, Johnson City, Tenn. In this connection Mr. Paisley advised that he is issuing a subpoena for G. W. Crowe, Motor Sales Company, 74 Wilson Avenue, Johnson City, Tenn., for the purpose of testifying concerning the purchase of an Oldsmobile Sedan by Weaver and Myrtle Eaton. He suggested that if arrangements could be made by the Nashville Office for Mr. Crowe to personally determine that the Maple Street address does not exist in Johnson City, he could give this testimony and the presence of Agent Rowe could be dispensed with. It is suggested that the Nashville Office endeavor to effect such arrangements.

In addition to the above Agents it seems possible, after further conference with Mr. Paisley, he may desire the presence of Special Agent John L. Madala, in view of the information contained in the report submitted by Agent Madala under date of February 1, 1936, relative to interview had with Myrtle Eaton by Agents Madala and Sullivan. This will be determined as soon as possible, it being noted that Mr. Paisley is presently at Miami, Florida, but will return to Jacksonville within the next few days.

Inasmuch as the exact present location of the various witnesses set out above is unknown to the Jacksonville Office, it is requested that the Bureau take appropriate action in order that these Agents may be advised of the fact that their presence will probably be required. This Office should also be furnished with the present headquarters of each of the Agents in order that appropriate notification may be forwarded when a definite decision is reached as to the trial or postponement of the case.

Very truly yours,

R. B. Nathan

R. B. NATHAN,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Nashville
Buffalo
Louisville

Jax # 7-24-

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Laboratory Report

April 4, 1936.

Case: Re: Brekid

Number: 7-576-10281

Specimens:

- 7-576-10281 A. One registration card #070 for the Hotel Danmor containing the signatures R. S. Carson and O. C. Cameron. (Known handwriting of Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell.)
B. One photostatic copy of a Certificate of Title Application and one of a Combination Application for Duplicate and Transfer of Title Certificate on which appears the signature of Chas. M. Bronson. (Questioned document)

Examination requested by: Washington Field Office

Date received: April 3, 1936

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Pickering

The signatures "Chas. M. Bronson" appearing on the photostatic copy of the Certificate of Title Application and the Combination Application for Duplicate and Transfer of Title Certificate were compared with the handwriting of Alvin Karpis, Joe Adams, Fred Barker, Henry Randall, and Harry Campbell and the examiner does not believe that any one of these individuals wrote the questioned signatures. The only specimen of the handwriting of Gregory Codomo available to the Laboratory is a single signature, which was insufficient for adequate comparison and, therefore, no conclusion could be reached regarding this individual.

No conclusion has been reached as to whether the handwriting of Irma Robbins, consisting of two signatures of this name, is identical with that of the signature "Chas. M. Bronson" written in after the typewritten name "Duke Randall" which had been scratched out, inasmuch as there are not sufficient letters in common to the signatures.

It is believed that if additional handwriting specimens of Irma Robbins are submitted a definite conclusion can be reached.

The Registration card and photostats submitted will be returned to your office within the next several days.

cc-Bureau
E. J. Connelley, Chicago
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Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Brekid.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office in connection with the above entitled matter and received in the Bureau April 3, 1936.

Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure: #1130010.

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cc: J. J. Connelley, Chicago
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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
April 6, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Please find inclosed picture of Alvin Karpis,
#1539, K. S. P.; picture of Alvin Karpis, #8008; and picture
of Fred Hunter, #156.

Please furnish the Detroit Bureau office with five
copies of each of the above mentioned pictures at your earliest
convenience.

Very truly yours,

H. H. Reinecke
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

April 4, 1936

Mr. E. L. Rickard,
Automobile Protective & Information Bureau,
166 West Van Buren Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Will you please advise this Office if you have any information in your files concerning 1936 model four-door Buick Sedan, motor No. 63052198, serial No. 2895972?

In the event that you do not have a record of this car at the present time, will you please make a notation to the effect that this Office should be advised in the event any information is obtained concerning this car in the future?

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge

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Salt Lake City, Utah
April 4, 1936

MEMORANDUM FOR SPECIAL AGENT J. T. McLAUGHLIN

Re: BREKID

I am attaching hereto memorandum dated March 17, 1936, submitted by Special Agent in Charge R. Whitley, New York City, together with letter addressed by Mr. Whitley to the Bureau under date of March 30, both of which refer to Frankie Foster who is wanted by the New York City police. There is also forwarded you herewith copy of a teletype message from the New York City office.

You will notice there are no instructions concerning any arrest which may be made and consequently unless further advised you should not participate in an arrest of Foster in this particular instance. You should carry out my instructions as set out in this teletype message and be at your apartment at the time, and for a reasonable time thereafter, of the arrival of the train on which Detective Carroll will arrive, and cooperate and assist him as much as is practical.

W. A. RORER
Special Agent in Charge

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cc: Bureau
New York City

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Burnam Cummins, Marshal

THE CITY OF AVA
AVA, MO.

March 24, 1936

John Edger Hoover
Director of F.B. of I.

Dear Sir:

I wrote a couple of days ago for a picture of William Dainard. I have since learned that Alvin Karpis may be in this part of the country. I would like to have some good photographs of both Dainard & Karpis. I want pictures that will show the lines & scars on their faces if possible. If you think it best I will get in touch with you before I do anything other than look at the pictures.

Would like to get these as soon as possible.

Yours Truly,

Burnam Cummins (Sgd.)

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Mr. Burnan Cummins,
Marshal,
The City of Ava,
Ava, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of March 24, 1936, wherein you request photographs of both William Dainard and Alvin Karpis. It appears that the photographs contained on the Identification Orders issued by this Bureau concerning these persons do not show certain facial characteristics which you desire.

I desire to call to your attention the location of the Kansas City Office of this Bureau, which is listed on the back of the wanted circular attached hereto concerning William Dainard. This office will be able to supply you with any other photographs which you desire from time to time in connection with official investigations being conducted by this Bureau.

There is also attached hereto a photograph of Alvin Karpis.

I appreciate your interest in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Inclosure 867591.

cc-Kansas City

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1021 Bankers Building
Milwaukee Wisconsin

April 8, 1936

Mr. A. C. Hartman, Director,
Motor Vehicle Division,
Department of State,
Madison, Wisconsin.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

In connection with an official investigation, it will be greatly appreciated if you will place a flash card in your files and immediately notify this office in the event an attempt is made to register a 1936 model Buick Sedan, Motor #63052198, Serial #2893972.

Kindly advise this office also if any attempt is made to transfer or sell this car in the State of Wisconsin.

Your cooperation in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

V. B. PETERSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Mr. E. J. Connelley

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BREKID DO YOU DESIRE SPECIAL AGENT J T MCLAUGHLIN TO PARTICIPATE IN

ARREST OF FRANKIE FOSTER IF MADE BY CARROLL

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Edw. J. Bremer

*Answered
copy - Mr. Tamm*

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SPECIAL DEL.

P. O. BOX 1469,
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS,
APRIL 6, 1936.

Special Agent in Charge,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Re: BREKID.

Dear Sir:

During a recent investigation by Agents of this Bureau at Hot Springs, Arkansas, it has been ascertained that Grace Goldstein, a prostitute and madam of the Hatter's Hotel, 2334 Central Avenue, Hot Springs, Arkansas, has been closely associated with subjects in this case. Upon being interviewed, she was reluctant to talk and would not furnish Agents with any of her past life or her home address. It has been ascertained from a confidential informant that her former husband whose name is supposed to be Paul Gezain, alias "Fidgaty", alias "Trigidee", alias "Frigidee", a gambler and pimp formerly of New Orleans, Louisiana, is now supposed to be living somewhere in Memphis, Tennessee. Agents were unable to secure a description of this man.

It is suggested that a most discreet investigation should be made in Memphis in regard to the above man and unless it can be ascertained that he is not friendly with his former wife, he should not be contacted as he might communicate with Grace and notify her of this investigation. It is of the utmost importance that the parents or close relatives of Grace Goldstein be located at once as it is needed in this investigation at this time. It might be possible that this information could be obtained from the Police Department there if any of the officers knew this man and it is again suggested that he not be contacted if there is any doubt at all about his being reluctant to furnish the desired information.

Very truly yours,

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CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Washington Field Office, Rm. 5252,
Washington, D.C.

March 31, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Sir:

This will advise you that I have this date returned to my duties at the Washington Field Office. Please be informed, however, that the summary report on Joseph H. Adams and Henry Duke Randall has not been completed in view of the fact that its completion will await the advice of various offices who have been called upon to perform additional investigative work in order to develop every possible bit of information that is available.

Please be advised that I will follow this matter through with Mr. Walter Barlow, Special Assistant to the Attorney General and will have conferences with him at such times as he deems advisable. He desires that I discuss this matter with him either today or tomorrow. If any matters of interest develop as a result of my conference with him, you will be advised immediately.

I feel that I can now complete the summary report and attend to such other duties looking towards the successful prosecution of the case, together with my other duties at the Washington Field Office.

Very truly yours,

K. R. McIntire

K. R. MCINTIRE,
Acting Special Agent in Charge.

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KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
APRIL 6, 1936

Special Agent in Charge
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

A notation in the Kansas City file in the above en-
titled case reflects that photograph of SAM COCKER was forwarded
to the Cleveland Office on December 28, 1935.

Inasmuch as it appears that this was the only photo-
graph of this individual in possession of the Kansas City office,
it is requested that several copies of said photograph be made
and forwarded to this office.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
April 4, 1936

Mr. E. J. Connelley
Chicago, Illinois

Re: BREKID
L. A. File 7-48

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated April 1, 1936, at Little Rock, Arkansas, addressed to the Aberdeen Bureau office, relative to the placing of stop notices with the Registration Bureaus of the various states on 1936 Buick Sedan, motor number 63052198, serial number 2095972, which is believed to be in possession of subject ALVIN KARPIS.

In view of the possibility that this automobile might be stored in a public garage for a considerable period of time, or abandoned at some point, it is possible that efforts will be made to determine whether the automobile is stolen. In view of this, would it not be advisable that the National Automobile Theft Bureaus and similar organizations throughout the United States be furnished with the identifying data regarding this automobile, with the request that the nearest Bureau office be notified in the event information is received regarding the automobile?

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Bureau
Cincinnati
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P. O. Box 538
Los Angeles, California
April 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:-

Re: BREXID

L. A. File 7-42.

Reference is made to the letter from your office to the Jacksonville office dated March 30, 1936, and to the letter from the latter office to your office dated March 31, 1936, and referring to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. (or J. W.) Crozier, correspondents of Mrs. J. R. Huntsman of Los Angeles, Calif., who is a contact for Leon Howard alias Leon Felix, the latter being a known contact of William Elmer Wood. It is noted that you request this office to supply the Jacksonville and Kansas City offices with photographs of Leon Howard.

This office is not in possession of such photographs, but it is requested that the Atlanta office secure photographs from the U. S. Penitentiary at Atlanta, Georgia. In this connection, reference is made to report of Special Agent Philip M. Breed, Atlanta, dated January 14, 1936, wherein it is reported that Howard's number at the penitentiary is 44517.

It is also requested that the Atlanta office forward a copy of Howard's photograph to this office.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HINSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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W. J. Connelley, Chicago
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Edward O'Brien

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **62-1070**

REPORT MADE AT OMAHA, NEBRASKA	DATE WHEN MADE 4/5/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/5, 27/36 3/23/36	REPORT MADE BY G. H. WILSON
TITLE WILLIAM ELMER MEAD, with aliases, I. O. 1354			CHARACTER OF CASE ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Photograph of William Elmer Mead, furnished Police Department officials in larger cities in Iowa and Nebraska, requesting effort to ascertain information concerning Mead and his location.

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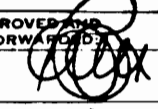
REFERENCE:

Letter dated 1/27/36 from E. J. Connelley, Chicago, Illinois to Cincinnati Office, copy to all field offices in BREKID case.

DETAILS:

The following investigation was made by Special Agent R. J. Abbaticchio, Jr.:

On January 31, 1936, the writer talked with Inspector A. O. Anderson, in charge of Detectives, and his Assistant, Lieutenant Thomas Ryan, at the Omaha, Nebraska, Police Department, and furnished them with one copy of the photograph of Mead in a standing position. They stated they had no bunco squad but stated they would exhibit this photograph to all the detectives engaged in patrolling hotel lobbies, with a request that they endeavor to obtain information regarding Mead. Inspector Anderson located an old circular issued by the Denver, Colo., Police Department on December 12, 1931, which reflects that John Henry Foster, alias W. Elmer Mead, alias Christ Kid, was wanted for bond forfeiture in Jacksonville, Florida. The circular gave his fingerprint classification, as 1 U 4 - and bore an old photograph of Mead.

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At Agent's request, a notation was made on this circular, which is included in the Department's fingerprint files, that in the event Mead is located, the Omaha Bureau Office be immediately notified.

At Council Bluffs, Iowa, Agent interviewed Chief of Police Geo. L. Bennett and furnished him with a photograph of Mead in a standing position. He informed that his department has no bunco squad but that he would exhibit the photograph to his six detectives and would request them to endeavor to obtain information regarding Mead. Chief Bennett was also furnished with Mead's aliases and description.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R. E. Bundy:

Interviews have been held with A. H. Pedersen, Chief of Detectives, Des Moines Police Department, Des Moines, Iowa; Earl Stanley, Chief of Detectives, Cedar Rapids, Iowa Police Department; and H. R. Crumrine, Chief of Police, Waterloo, Iowa, each of whom was supplied with two different photographs of William Elmer Mead.

Each of these officers stated that he would instruct officers assigned to duty around the better-class hotels, gaming places, and other places frequented by confidence men in an effort to apprehend Mead if he should put in an appearance at any of the places mentioned.

The following investigation was made by Special Agent R. J. Abbaticchio, Jr.:

In the absence of the Chief of Police of Sioux City, Iowa, a city of about 90,000 people, in accordance with Chicago office letter of 1/27/36 I furnished one copy of the bust photograph of William Elmer Mead to Chief of Detectives Frank Wheelock together with Mead's description and fingerprint classification as obtained from the Denver, Colo. wanted circular observed at the Omaha police department. Mr. Wheelock informed that he has no bunco squad as such but will be glad to request his detectives to make appropriate inquiries in an effort to obtain information regarding Mead, this to be furnished the Omaha office. A wanted notice was also placed in the Department's Identification Unit which Agent was advised by the officer in charge, C. S. Lassen, had no previous information upon Mead.

The following investigation was conducted on March 23, 1936 at Dubuque, Iowa by Special Agent O. H. Wilson:

J. W. Giellis, Chief of Police and John Derreberry, Captain of Police, Dubuque, Iowa were furnished a photograph of William Elmer Mead and a notation was caused to be made in the Police files to immediately notify the Omaha Bureau Office in the event that any information was secured as to Mead or his location. Chief Giellis and Captain Derreberry stated that they would call this particular photograph and description to each of the officers and detectives on the force; and Special attention would be made at the various hotels and gambling houses.

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NOTES SECTION

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box #1469,
Little Rock, Arkansas,
April 4th, 1936.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: Special Agent F. S. Smith,
Administrative Matter.

Dear Sir:

Confirming telephone conversation
between Special Agent in Charge Brantley and Mr.
Foxworth, you are advised that Special Agent F. S.
Smith of the Oklahoma City Office arrived in Little
Rock at 4:50 P. M., April 2nd, 1936 and is presently
engaged on special assignment in connection with the
BREKID case.

Agent Smith is presently in Hot
Springs, Arkansas, but as his address is rather
uncertain it would be best to reach him through
this office.

Very truly yours,

Chapman Fletcher
CHAPMAN FLETCHER,
Special Agent in Charge.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **CINCINNATI, OHIO**

FILE NO. **7-82**

REPORT MADE AT Chicago, Ill.	DATE WHEN MADE 4/14/36	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/1, 2/36	REPORT MADE BY D. P. SULLIVAN - DPS:LM
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1236; ET AL. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING & OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Wynona Burdette, upon interview at the Women's Detention Farm, Milan, Mich., verifies the substance of the matter contained in her signed statement dated 1/18/36, but states that only one meal was sent gratis to the room occupied by her and Harry Campbell at the El Commodore Hotel, and that on only one occasion was a newspaper sent up to their room, and that paper contained a photograph of Alvin Karpis being named as a suspect in the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis; that she did not overhear Adams warn the boys to leave Oklawaha. Dolores Delaney interviewed, and denies in general all the information contained in her signed statement dated 1/22/36, which tends to incriminate and show guilty knowledge on the part of Joe Adams and Duke Randall in connection with instant harboring charges.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated 3/27/36.</p> <p>DETAILS: As requested in reference letter the writer proceeded to Milan, Michigan, where Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney were interviewed on April 1 and 2, 1936, and as was suggested in reference letter Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette were first interviewed jointly with the purpose in mind of eliminating some of the discrepancies noted in signed statements obtained at St. Paul, Minnesota, in January, 1936.</p>			
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<i>a. a. Walter L. Barlow - 4-14-36</i>		<i>ONE</i>	

At this time shortly after the interview began, Dolores Delaney stated that she desired to repudiate her statement made on January 22, 1936, for the reason that most of the statement was concocted in her own mind and had no basis in fact. The Delaney woman stated that the statement was full of lies which she made up about Joseph Adams and Duke Randall, when she discovered that Joe Adams was testifying for the Government against Harry Sawyer and Cash McDonald at St. Paul, Minnesota. Dolores Delaney stated that, in order to justify her change, her heart had been bothering her, and she had finally decided she could not go on the stand and lie about Adams whom she heartily dislikes. It was evident that Dolores Delaney was lying when she stated her statement taken in St. Paul was false.

At this point Wynona Burdette likewise stated that her signed statement, dated January 18, 1936, obtained in St. Paul, Minnesota, was not entirely true. From the above it was evident that little cooperation could be expected from either Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette as long as they were being interviewed in the presence of each other. Whereupon the Burdette woman was interviewed alone.

Wynona Burdette stated at this time that she did not desire to appear as a witness in the prosecution against Joseph Adams and Duke Randall in Florida. Her statement was discussed with her at length, and she stated that there were some few statements in the above mentioned written statement that were not absolutely correct and were merely hearsay. These were noted and the changes are herewith set out.

Wynona Burdette stated in connection with paragraph 1, page 35, of the report of Special Agent John L. Madala, Chicago, Illinois, dated 2/6/36, that during the time that Harry Campbell and she resided at the El Commodore Hotel, Harry Campbell occasionally visited the tenth floor, but that she has no knowledge or information based on any facts that would indicate that Harry Campbell visited Joe Adams on the tenth floor, or that Adams was present at any time on the tenth floor when Campbell left the room occupied by Wynona and himself and went to the tenth floor. Wynona Burdette stated that she and Harry Campbell did eat almost all of their meals in their room; that contrary to her statement she can recall that only on one occasion was a meal sent up to her room free of charge, apparently with the compliments of Joseph Adams. Wynona Burdette stated she could not definitely state that Joe Adams had this meal sent to their room.

In connection with paragraph 2, page 3, Wynona Burdette stated that Chicago and Miami newspapers were not sent up to the room occupied by her and Harry Campbell whenever articles appeared therein concerning members of the Karpis-Barker gang. She stated she can recall only one occasion when a Chicago newspaper was sent to their room. On all other occasions newspapers were sent to the room only when she and Harry Campbell requested that a paper be sent up. On the one occasion when the paper was sent to the room occupied by Harry Campbell and herself, the paper contained a story of the killing of Inspector Cowley and Agent Hollis at Barrington, Illinois. This same newspaper set out the details of the above tragedy, and in connection with the same article there appeared a photograph of Alvin Karpis, who was named as the companion of "Baby Face" Nelson. Wynona Burdette stated that she did not know who brought the newspaper to the room, but knows that neither she nor Harry Campbell ordered this newspaper. Wynona Burdette first denied that Harry Campbell had ever remarked that if Adams continued to send the papers up to their room by the bellboy, the boy would soon get wise as to who they were, but she later weakened, and stated she could not now recall whether such remark was made by Harry Campbell or not.

In connection with the second sentence appearing in paragraph 2, page 36, report of Special Agent John L. Madala, dated 2/6/36, Wynona Burdette stated that on the morning following Dolores Delaney's arrival in Miami, Florida, from Cuba, at about 11 o'clock, Dolores went downstairs for the purpose of seeing Joe Adams. It should be noted that in Wynona's statement she mentioned that Dolores Delaney went downstairs presumably for that purpose. She now is certain that that was the definite purpose of Dolores Delaney's going downstairs, inasmuch as Dolores told her she was going downstairs to see Joe Adams.

Regarding the statement in the last paragraph on page 36 of the above mentioned report, where Wynona Burdette's statement mentions that the day after Harry Campbell's return to Miami, Florida, from Oklawaha, Joe Adams came into Room 905 and visited with Harry Campbell, she stated that this statement was not true, and that Adams did not visit Room 905 and speak with Harry Campbell. At this time Wynona Burdette was questioned as to the date on which Dolores Delaney came to Miami, Florida, from Havana, Cuba. She had no independent recollection of this matter, but when advised that the records indicated Dolores Delaney left Havana, Cuba by air on December 4, 1934, she stated she could not definitely recall the date being December 4, but that she recalls Dolores Delaney stayed in her room with her the night of her arrival; that Alvin Karpis arrived on the following day, which would

be December 5; that on the evening of December 6 she and Willie Harrison visited the Biscayne Kennel Club, and early the following morning, December 7, "Doc" Barker and Willie Harrison left; that Mother Barker, Fred Barker and Harry Campbell arrived during the evening of December 7, and that Harry Campbell, Mother Barker and Fred Barker remained at the El Comodore Hotel approximately four days before they left for Oklawaha. This would make the date approximately December 11, 1934, and it was about two days after their arrival in Oklawaha, December 11, that Joe Adams called at her home in company with Alvin Karpis.

In this connection, as mentioned on page 37 of the above report of Special Agent John L. Madala, Wynona Burdette stated that Joe Adams was driving a Ford Coupe, in which he and Alvin Karpis arrived in Oklawaha, Florida; that Adams talked privately with the boys for two or three hours down near the boathouse in front of the house. Wynona Burdette now states that she did not hear Adams at this time tell Fred Barker and Harry Campbell that there were some Government men in Miami; that Joe Adams told Harry Campbell and Fred Barker they had better get out of the place in Oklawaha as the Government men might find out they were there. Wynona Burdette stated she did not overhear any of this conversation, and did not know the Government men were in Miami until after she had returned to Miami with Harry Campbell on June 13, 1935. However, after Joe Adams left, Fred Barker and Harry Campbell talked together and she heard Fred Barker remark that he did not believe there was anything in the statement that Adams had made about the place being "hot".

Concerning the information set out in Wynona Burdette's signed statement, page 37, paragraph 5, concerning her return with Mother Barker to Oklawaha, she stated that upon their return Willie Woodbury gave Mother Barker a note. Wynona Burdette was questioned in detail concerning this note. She stated that it was contained in a sealed envelop which bore no address or writing. Mother Barker opened the note and read it, as did Wynona. Wynona Burdette said that the note was written on ordinary letter paper which contained no heading; that the note bore no greeting and was not signed; that it was only a short note containing two or three sentences; that the envelop was of the ordinary size used in personal correspondence; that the envelop likewise bore no heading, and she described the size as being approximately 4" x 6". When Mother Barker and she had read the note, Mother Barker questioned Willie Woodbury as to the person or persons who

left it. He said two men had been to the place inquiring for them and had left the note. He thereupon described two men whom Wynona Burdette and Mother Barker recognized immediately as being Joe Adams and Duke Randall. Woodbury at that time likewise stated they were riding in a Ford Coupe, which Wynona Burdette and Mother Barker knew Joe Adams used. The note contained on the ordinary size paper used in personal correspondence was written in pencil, and the wording of it, according to Wynona Burdette, was the substance as set out in her signed statement contained in paragraph 5, page 57 of the above mentioned report of Special Agent John L. Madala. Wynona Burdette stated that, as mentioned in her signed statement, Mother Barker immediately destroyed the note by throwing it into the fireplace.

In connection with her statement contained in the last paragraph, page 40, where she mentions that Joe Adams sent Chicago and Miami newspapers to Oklawaha, Florida, addressed to Blackburn and some to Summers, Wynona Burdette stated that this statement was merely hearsay; that she did not know in fact whether Joe Adams sent these newspapers to Oklawaha; that she recalls that both Harry Campbell and Fred Barker sent money in cash to the El Commodore Hotel in payment of newspapers which were sent to them in Oklawaha. Wynona Burdette stated she did not know to whom this money was addressed, nor the identity of the individual at the El Commodore Hotel who received this money. She stated that Joseph Adams' name was not mentioned when this money was sent.

Wynona Burdette advised Agent that the remainder of her signed statement, dated at St. Paul, Minnesota, January 18, 1936, was true and correct.

Concerning the date of the departure of Mother Barker, Fred Barker, Harry Campbell and herself from Miami, Florida, Wynona Burdette stated that she could not definitely place this date as December 11 except for the fact that she knew it was approximately four days after December 7. This matter was discussed with her at some length, and it is believed Wynona Burdette can now testify to the fact that on December 11 she with Harry Campbell, Mother Barker and Fred Barker left Miami, Florida, for Oklawaha, and that approximately two days after December 11, Joseph Adams arrived at Oklawaha with Alvin Karpis.

Before Agent left the Detention Farm at Milan, Michigan, Wynona Burdette stated that she was not anxious to appear for the

Government as a witness in Miami, but that if subpoenaed to testify, she would testify to the truth as set out herein and in her signed statement. At this point Wynona Burdette confidentially advised Agent that she and Dolores Delaney have not been friendly since they returned from St. Paul, Minnesota; that they have had no particular quarrel, but have not spoken to one another for three weeks.

Agent later talked with one of the matrons at the Detention Farm, and this matron verified Wynona's statement, advising that apparently some quarrel had arisen between Dolores Delaney and Wynona Burdette inasmuch as they were not speaking to one another.

Dolores Delaney was thereafter interviewed alone, and she maintained the same attitude as previously mentioned herein. She was quite nervous and obviously anxious not to be questioned concerning her reasons for changing the substance of her signed statement dated January 22, 1936. She again reiterated that the matter contained in the signed statement bearing on Joseph Adams and Duke Randall, was misinformation which she manufactured; that she did this when she found that Joseph Adams was testifying against Harry Sawyer. During the interview she casually mentioned that she would not testify against anyone who was in the same racket as herself and Alvin Karpis, but later denied this was the reason for changing her story.

Her statement was discussed with her at length, and in general she denied the truth of any statement formerly made by her which showed guilty knowledge on the part of Joseph Adams that he knew of the true identities of Alvin Karpis and other members of the gang. Dolores Delaney stated that her signed statement was true and correct in every detail up to the matter contained in the third paragraph, page 17, wherein she made the following correction and various other corrections on the pages which follow.

In paragraph three she stated that when she and Alvin Karpis arrived at the El Commodore Hotel, Alvin Karpis did ask for Mr. Adams, and did not ask when to be notified when told that Adams was not there. She likewise denied the truth of the information contained in the following paragraph, paragraph 4, on the same page, concerning the letters of reference addressed to Nathaniel Heller and George Harris, which Adams gave Karpis.

Dolores Delaney stated that she at no time saw these letters or cards.

In connection with their arrival in Havana, Cuba, as noted in the last paragraph, page 17, and continued on page 18, Dolores Delaney denied having any information that any cards or letters of reference were given by Alvin Karpis to either Nathaniel Heller or George Harris.

Concerning the letter which she wrote at Alvin Karpis' dictation, and which presumably was sent to Joseph Adams to the El Commodore Hotel, Dolores Delaney stated that she did write the letter, but did not address the envelop and does not know whether the letter was sent in fact, and does not know what happened to it; that she has no information that Alvin Karpis received a cablegram from Adams a couple of days later as mentioned in Paragraph 1, page 19, in which Dolores Delaney in her signed statement mentioned that she asked for Mr. Adams when she arrived in Miami, Florida as Alvin Karpis had instructed her to do before leaving Veradero Beach. Dolores Delaney now maintains that this is false.

The Delaney woman stated, in connection with the information contained in paragraph 1, page 21, concerning her visit to the lobby of the El Commodore Hotel on the morning following her arrival and her meeting with Willie Harrison and a visit with Mr. Adams in his office and the information set out concerning the conversation had with Joseph Adams, that this information was false; that she and Harrison did not visit Adams' office, and the conversation mentioned in her signed statement did not occur; that she did borrow a car which Willie Harrison and "Doc" Barker had, and that Willie Harrison told her he and "Doc" Barker had just arrived in Miami that morning.

The Delaney woman likewise stated that she and Willie Harrison did go up to Wynona Burdette's room, and later on went to Willie Harrison's room 405 where they saw "Doc" Barker. The rest of the information contained in this paragraph, according to Dolores Delaney, is incorrect. Dolores Delaney stated that she drove to Homestead, Florida, and picked up Alvin Karpis; that she drove "Doc" in Willie's car and was not accompanied by anyone; that she is able to drive an automobile; that after their return to the hotel, Alvin Karpis did not register, but Willie Harrison obtained Room 404 for them later that evening. Dolores

Delaney here mentioned that the following day Alvin Karpis to her knowledge did not go downstairs to see Joseph Adams.

Agent questioned the Delaney woman concerning the date of her arrival at Miami, Florida, from Havana, Cuba. She stated she could not recall the exact date and could not now state that it was December 4, 1934. All she could say was that it was some time early in December.

The Delaney woman stated that she lied when she stated in her signed statement as mentioned in paragraph 2, page 22, that during the time that she and Alvin Karpis resided at the El Commodore Hotel, Joseph Adams told Alvin and herself that he wanted them to keep to their room as much as possible, and that it was not the truth that Adams sent a radio up to their room to keep them company.

Concerning the renting of the house by Alvin Karpis, Joseph Adams and herself, Dolores Delaney states this was true, but that the information contained in her signed statement concerning Adams' remark that he had introduced Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney to Mrs. Thomas under the name Mr. and Mrs. Green because he had forgotten to ask Alvin beforehand what name he wanted to use, Dolores Delaney stated that this was not correct; that Joseph Adams, Alvin Karpis and she had talked this over before they conversed with Mrs. Thomas, and had decided to use the name of Green in renting the house; that they told Joseph Adams the reason they decided to use the name of Mr. and Mrs. Green was because they were not married.

Dolores Delaney stated that the information contained in paragraph 4, page 22, concerning Joseph Adams driving Alvin Karpis to Oklawaha, Florida, is untrue; that the statement that Alvin Karpis later made to her that Adams did not stay over night at Oklawaha but returned to Miami was a lie.

Concerning the information in paragraph 1, page 23, to the effect that Adams visited the house occupied by Alvin Karpis and Dolores Delaney in Miami, and talked with Alvin Karpis, Fred Barker and Harry Campbell in the living room, was likewise untrue. Adams did not visit her house.

Dolores Delaney likewise denied the truth of the statement contained in sentence 1, paragraph 2, page 23, wherein she

mentions in her signed statement that Alvin received a telephone call from a party called Joe. Dolores Delaney stated she did not know the identity of the party calling Karpis. The rest of the information contained on this page is correct according to Dolores Delaney.

It might be mentioned in connection with reference letter that the matter contained on above page was discussed with Dolores Delaney at great length during the time she was interviewed at St. Paul. Dolores Delaney at the time of this present interview stated that it was absolutely correct, and reiterated her statement that there was a large car parked in front of the house in which some person was sitting; that she does not know whether this person was male or female; that when she went to the front of the house, Alvin Karpis was speaking with a man, described as in her signed statement, and who was introduced to her under the name of Mr. Crawford. Alvin Karpis and this man went to the rear of the house, where Theresa Carmichael remained; that the person in the automobile parked in front, did not leave the car, nor did she speak with this person; that she cannot recall where she went after leaving the front door, but believes she went to one of the other bedrooms in another section of the house, and that she did not speak to the man introduced under the name of Crawford again.

Agent recalls that while at St. Paul Theresa Carmichael and Dolores Delaney were interviewed in each others presence in an effort to freshen their recollections. At that time the Carmichael woman stated that she remembered that she remained in or about her kitchen from the time that the man called at the house until he left; that Alvin Karpis and this man, whom she stated looked similar to Cash McDonald, came to the kitchen and had a drink of whisky; that Dolores Delaney had gone to the front of the house; that after Alvin Karpis and this man had talked for about five minutes, this man left. Agent recalls that Theresa Carmichael was under the impression that Dolores Delaney, during the time that Karpis and the man, who visited her in the kitchen, was speaking with someone in the front of the house, but she was not absolutely certain of this; that she had no information that the person who was reported to be in the automobile parked in front, ever came into the house, or even left the automobile; that in fact she did not see the automobile parked in front.

Continuing, Dolores Delaney stated that in connection with the telephone call mentioned in the last paragraph, page 24,

the party did not ask for Ray Green; that she did not have any information that the party calling was Duke Randall; that this party did not tell her to get out of town immediately; that all of this information was false; that Alvin Karpis and Harry Campbell did not tell Wynona and her to drive their car to the dog track to get Duke Randall as mentioned in paragraph 4, page 24; that Duke Randall's name was not mentioned, and that she does not know the identity of this man; that she did go to the dog track with Wynona Burdette; that she did not see the man to whom Wynona spoke at the dog track; that when they returned to the place where Harry Campbell left, that these two men did return in about one and a half hours in company with a third man, Dolores Delaney now states she did not know the identity of this man, and inasmuch as it was dark, she could not recognize him again.

Dolores Delaney stated that all of the information contained in paragraphs 3 and 4, page 25, and paragraph 1, page 26, was false. She stated that she did not know who Duke Randall was and would not be able to identify him.

In connection with the information contained in paragraph 2, page 26, she stated that the information concerning the delivery of the note to the manager of the Danmore Hotel was correct; that she did not know that this note had been given to her by Duke Randall.

Dolores Delaney stated that the information contained in paragraph 3, page 26, was entirely false; that such conversation never took place.

According to the Delaney's woman's statements appearing in paragraph 1, page 27, regarding her conversation with Alvin Karpis concerning the Ford Coupe Duke Randall was using and Adams' failure to destroy this car, Dolores said these were false and that no such conversation took place.

In connection with the note which Dolores Delaney gave to William A. Morley, as mentioned on page 25, in the report of Special Agent J. R. Sharp, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Dolores Delaney stated that this note was in a sealed plain envelop, which bore no heading; that the man who gave her the note, whom she refused to identify as being Duke Randall, told her to give it to William Morley when she arrived in Atlantic City; that she did not open the envelop and therefore did not know the contents of the note; that she did not see the contents of the note after she gave

it to William Morley; that to her knowledge Morley retained this note and did not give it back to her after he had read it; that she had no information as to the person who wrote the note, and could not state it was written by Duke Randall.

In connection with Dolores Delaney's statement that upon her return to Miami, Florida, from Havana, Cuba, she joined Wynona Burdette in room 1005, El Commodore Hotel, page 20, in the report of Special Agent John L. Madala, dated 2/6/36, Dolores stated that she could not recall whether the room was 1005 or 905; that all she can recall that it was one of the 05 rooms, but cannot recall on what floor it was located.

As previously mentioned, Dolores Delaney now stated she cannot recall any conversation had by her with Adams concerning "Freddie" and "Mother". She even denies she had any conversation with Adams at the time mentioned.

From the above it is evident that the Delaney woman now denies the truth of any statement which she believes may incriminate Joseph Adams and Duke Randall. She professes that she is not averse to going to Florida to testify; if called upon to do so, she will. It is evident, however, that she does not desire to testify, and has changed her story with the purpose in mind of avoiding appearing as a witness for the Government.

Both Wynona Burdette and Dolores Delaney, during the course of the interviews, had with them, mentioned that they did not desire to be taken from the Women's Detention Farm during the time that they are serving their sentences because the release from the routine of the prison spoils them in that it takes a long period of time to again become accustomed to it when they are forced to return to Milan.

Agent has noted from experience with these two women that when they are away from Milan and enjoy a relaxation from the routine of the Detention Farm, they are in a more cooperative frame of mind, and from Agent's interview with Wynona Burdette it is believed she will testify to substantially the same information as is contained in her written statement; that if Dolores Delaney is likewise subpoenaed with Wynona Burdette, and taken to Florida, that interviews with her at Miami, Florida, will result in her verifying the information contained in her written statement, and it is probable that after she arrives in Miami, she can

be prevailed upon to testify for the Government.

As has been previously mentioned, the Delaney girl was interviewed both on April 1 and 2, 1936, and it appeared useless to talk with her further at this time as she stated that she did not desire to be interviewed further concerning this matter, although she remained quite friendly in the conversation had with her.

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LIFE SECTION

APR 3 1936

Gentry Arkansas
March 30 1936

John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington D.C.

Dear Sir;

I would like to have the latest picture of Alvin Karpis and would appreciate it very much if you would put my name on the mailing list, that I might get the pictures that are put out over the country. In order that I might be of any assistance to your Department.

Yours Truly.

Herbert Locke

ack Little Rock
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April 7, 1936

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Mr. Delbert Locke,
Gentry, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your letter of March 30, 1936, I am furnishing you herewith a copy of Identification Order #1218 relative to Alvin Karpis.

In connection with your request that your name be placed on the mailing list to receive copies of Identification Orders, I must advise you that under the Bureau's present policy only the names of duly constituted law enforcement agencies may be placed thereon. Inasmuch as your letter does not indicate whether you are engaged in law enforcement work with an official state or local office, your name is not being placed on such list.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

Enclosure 1091442

cc-Little Rock

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722 Midland Savings Bldg.,

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April 7, 1936

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -- FUGITIVE,
I.O.#1218; HARRY CAMPBELL with aliases --
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1236; et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -- Victim
Kidnaping - Harboring and Obstruction of
Justice - National Firearms Act

Dear Sir:

I received a copy of the Bureau's letter, dated April 2, 1936, together with a copy of a letter, dated March 24, 1936, directed to Honorable Walter L. Barlow, Assistant Attorney General, Washington, D.C., from Bart A. Piley, Attorney-at-law, located at Miami, Florida. The letter from Attorney Riley to Assistant Attorney General Barlow makes certain acquisitions directed towards Special Agents of this Bureau in connection with investigation at Miami, Florida, and Havana, Cuba.

I desire to advise the Bureau that I have never had occasion to interview Joseph H. Adams or Henry "Duke" Randall of Miami, Florida, however, I have had occasion to interview Nathaniel Heller, defendant in this case, both at Havana, Cuba, and at Miami, Florida.

Immediately after the raid on the house located at Lake Weir, Florida, occupied by Kate and Fred Barker on January 16, 1935, I had occasion to proceed immediately with Special Agents R. G. Jones, S. K. McKee, and C. G. Campbell to Miami, Florida. This travel to Miami was due to certain evidence found within the Barker home indicating that Kate Barker had made several trips via Pan American Airways from Miami, Florida, to Havana, Cuba, and further due to information obtained indicating that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis were at that time in Miami, Florida.

On the morning of January 20, 1935, Special Agents S. K. McKee, C. G. Campbell and the writer proceeded to Havana, Cuba. This action was taken as a result of telephonic communication with both Mr. E. A. Tamm and Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, who was then at Ocala, Florida.

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Subsequent to our arrival at Havana, Cuba, considerable evidence was developed indicating that Nathaniel Heller, proprietor of the Parkview Hotel, Havana, Cuba, had harbored Alvin Karpis and his alleged wife, Dolores Delaney, during their stay in Cuba from September to December, 1934. Specific information had been developed to the effect that Heller had purchased a Ford automobile, a Johnston motor (for a motor-boat), a radio and other merchandise at the direction of either Karpis or the Delaney woman. Investigation also developed that Karpis and Dolores Delaney had both resided intermittently at the Parkview Hotel, Havana, and appeared to be very friendly with Nathaniel Heller. Information was further developed that Heller had assisted Karpis and the Delaney girl in obtaining a winter home at Varadera Besch, a famous winter resort, located approximately 150 miles from the City of Havana; that he had visited Karpis at this home and had furnished towels, linen, etc., from his hotel for the use of Karpis and his paramour.

As a result of the development of the information above related, Special Agent McKee and the writer interviewed Nathaniel Heller at his hotel on January 31, 1935. He was questioned in detail for a period of approximately two hours. Mr. Heller's attitude during this interview was that of a man who had no respect whatsoever for law enforcement agencies of the United States or elsewhere, although he is an American citizen. His answers to our questions were evasive. He displayed great arrogance and defiance when closely questioned on some particular phase of his association with Karpis. Special Agent McKee and the writer of this memorandum, during this interview, at no time threatened verbally or displayed any indication except the normal attitude Bureau Agents assume when interviewing defendants. However, I wish to state both Agent McKee and myself expressed to Heller in no uncertain terms that we were not satisfied with his explanations.

After termination of this interview, I immediately communicated with Mr. E. A. Tamm of the Bureau by long-distance telephone, at which time I related to Mr. Tamm a synopsis of the investigation at Havana and vicinity, showing Heller's relationship with Karpis and the Delaney girl, together with the results of our recent interview with Heller. I explained to Mr. Tamm that I felt that information of value might be obtained from Heller if he were in custody. I also explained to Mr. Tamm that constitutional guaranties had been temporarily suspended in Havana, Cuba; that Mr. Heller was an American citizen and subject to deportation; that Cuban authorities had already expressed a desire, during this period of suspension of constitutional guaranties, to deport other Americans residing in Cuba who by their acts appeared to be undesirable citizens. I explained that if Heller were under arrest there was a strong possibility that his air of arrogance might be somewhat softened and he might probably be willing to furnish additional information and to assist in the location of Karpis and the Delaney girl. Mr. Tamm directed that the information developed relative to Heller's association with Karpis be furnished Cuban authorities in order that

they might take him into custody should they desire to do so. He also directed that the State Department officials in Cuba should be advised of any action taken. On this occasion, I advised Mr. Tamm of the information we had received from reliable sources indicating that members of the American Consular Staff and employees of the American Embassy in Havana would immediately furnish to the newspapers any information which came into their possession.

Upon completion of the telephonic conversation with Mr. Tamm, Agent McKee and the writer conferred with Lieutenant German Cortez of the National Police, Havana, at which time Lieutenant Cortez was furnished with all available information concerning the association between Nathaniel Heller and the fugitive, Karpis. He immediately indicated his willingness and a desire to arrest Heller on his own initiative on the basis of our information. Heller was taken into custody by the National Police on the night of January 31, 1935. Neither Special Agent McKee or the writer participated in the arrest.

On the night of January 31, 1935, American Vice-Consul^v Tewell conversed with Mr. Henry Kimes, our contact at Havana, Cuba, a representative of the Intelligence Unit, United States Treasury Department, who has been in Havana for the past twenty years, at which time Mr. Kimes advised Mr. Tewell of Heller's arrest and at which time he also informed him Agent McKee and the writer had been operating on an under-cover basis in Havana and vicinity for some time. Mr. Tewell was also advised that prior to the departure of Agent McKee and myself, we would call at both the American Consulate and the American Legation.

As I now recall the events following Nathaniel Heller's arrest, Heller was detained by the Cuban authorities at the headquarters police station in an ante-room adjoining the guard room (this room had neither bars or other equipment to prevent escape) for approximately two and one-half days and he was then removed to the prison known as the Bastilla, the Cuban detention prison. During the period Mr. Heller was detained at the police station of the National Police, Special Agent McKee and the writer conferred with him on one occasion. The writer, in addition to this interview, also conferred with Heller on approximately three other occasions. The periods of interview could not last more than two hours at one time and he was not interviewed on more than one occasion on a single day. At no time was Mr. Heller threatened and at no time, to my knowledge, was he molested by his police guard. However, Heller was advised that Cuban authorities were making arrangements to deport him to the United States, and I repeatedly suggested to Heller that he proceed voluntarily to answer charges which would be lodged against him for harboring Alvin Karpis. I reasoned with him that if he was not guilty, as he continued to contend, he had nothing to fear in proceeding to the States to answer the charges. However, this he refused to do.

The results of questioning of Heller, after his detention, were of little value although his attitude changed completely and he appeared to be willing to confer with either Agent McKee or myself further on his associations with Karpis and the Delaney girl.

Following Mr. Heller's arrest, I accompanied Senor Antonio Acosta, personal representative of the President of Cuba, to the offices of the Cuban Attorney General Dr. Cardenas. The writer was very well received at the office of Dr. Cardenas and Mr. Acosta acted as my interpreter and representative. Dr. Cardenas advised me through Mr. Acosta that he was extremely anxious that Nathaniel Heller be deported to the United States. Senor Acosta explained to Dr. Cardenas the associations between Alvin Karpis and Heller in the Havana vicinity. At the conclusion of this interview, Dr. Cardenas explained to me through Senor Acosta his willingness to cooperate in any way, and directed Senor Acosta to act as his personal representative in arranging for the removal of Heller to Miami, Florida.

After removal of Heller to the Cuban Bastilla (detention prison) the writer interviewed him on one occasion, at which time he was again requested to furnish more complete details relative to his association with Karpis. He flatly declined to assist and maintained that he had no idea whatsoever as to the identity of Karpis during the time he associated with him. On this occasion Heller advised that should he be released by Cuban authorities he would voluntarily proceed to the United States and answer any charges which might be preferred against him. He was accordingly released on February 11, 1935 and proceeded by Pan-American Airways to Miami, Florida, on the following day, February 12, 1935.

On the afternoon of February 12, 1935, there were two sections of the Pan-American Airways detailed to take passengers from Havana to Miami. The writer and Agent McKee deemed it advisable to make this travel on the section which was not taken by Mr. Heller with a view toward dismissing any further allegation by Heller that he had been forced to enter the United States by us, consequently Agent McKee and myself took the second section, while Mr. Heller took the first section of the service. However, it so happened that the second section arrived in Miami before the first due to wind conditions. Upon arrival in Miami, Florida, the writer and Agent McKee found other Agents, names not recalled at present, and a Deputy United States Marshal, who took Heller into custody and took him to the Dade County Jail, Miami, Florida.

I wish to state that at no time did Agent McKee or myself make any attempt or commit any act of physical force upon Nathaniel Heller either while in Cuba or in the United States.

For more complete details concerning the investigative activities of Special Agent S. K. McKee and the writer while in the Republic of Cuba, please refer to the report of this agent, dated at Jacksonville, Florida, February 25, 1935.

Very truly yours,

R. D. Brown

R. D. BROWN,
Special Agent in Charge

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Director,
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Washington, D. C.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

There is attached hereto a memorandum to the Director submitted in letter form which is a reply to Bureau letter, dated April 2, 1936, concerning certain allegations of Attorney Bart A. Riley of Miami, Florida, against certain Special Agents of this Bureau concerning their investigative activities while at Miami, Florida, and Havana, Cuba.

I note in Mr. Riley's letter to Honorable Walter L. Barlow, Assistant Attorney General, dated March 24, 1936, that he states he expects to proceed to Havana, Cuba, on or about April 1, 1936, for the purpose of interview with prospective witnesses and upon his return will confer with Assistant Attorney General Barlow concerning the taking of testimony in Cuba.

May I suggest to the Bureau that should Assistant Attorney General Barlow proceed to Havana that he confer with Mr. Antonio Acosta, personal representative of the President of the Republic of Cuba concerning the activities of Special Agent S. K. McKee and myself while conducting investigations in Havana. Senor Acosta frequently acted as our interpreter and also acted as personal representative of the President of Cuba and Dr. Cardenas, Attorney General of the Republic, in arranging for the removal of Nathaniel Heller from Havana to Miami, Florida. Senor Acosta, I believe, has the highest regard for representatives of this Bureau and will furnish whatever assistance Mr. Barlow may desire should he desire to take testimony in Havana.

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Very truly yours,

R. D. BROWN,
Special Agent in Charge

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R. D. BROWN, SAC
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RE: BREKID

Letter in reply to Bureau letter of 4-2-36, concerning certain allegations of Atty Bart A. Riley, Miami, Fla., against certain Agents of Bureau concerning their investigative activities at Miami, Fla., & Havana, Cuba. Suggests if Spec. Asst. Barlow proceeds to Havana he confer with Antonio Acosta who acted as interpreter for Agents.

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P. C. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
April 4, 1936

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BREKID
L. A. File 7-42.

Dear Sir:-

There are attached hereto two copies of the logs covering the surveillance of G. J. FITZGERALD from the Benjamin Franklin, Graystone and Victoria Apartments, covering the periods from March 20, 1936 to April 2, 1936; March 21, 1936 to April 2, 1936, and March 22, 1936 to March 31, 1936, respectively.

Three copies of these logs are being attached to the Bureau's copy of this letter, and one of each is being attached to the St. Paul, Cincinnati and Cleveland offices copies of this letter.

Very truly yours,

J. H. HANSON,
Special Agent in Charge.

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LOG -- BENJAMIN FRANKLIN APARTMENTS

3-20-36

6:48 AM Leckie on duty.

7:00 Whitson out.

10:35

11:10 Foster calls City Dye Works and delivers above message.

1:45 PM Desk advises that Foster just left in cab.

1:46 Called Graystone, no answer--apparently boys on Foster's tail.

2:15 Desk called to say that Foster just returned to his apartment.

2:17 Wright called to say that Foster went to the bank.

2:20 Foster called pharmacy for a cold case of beer.

2:22 Call from desk to maid, who was at the time in Foster's room.

2:45 Case of beer delivered to Foster's apartment.

5:00 Desk advises that Foster just left his apartment.

5:01 Called Graystone--McKee.

5:05 Desk called to say that Foster left a wire for Jean at the desk.
The wire read as follows: "Mailed Esquire, do not open, meant no offense, please destroy - Love (signed) Mom".

5:35 Bugas called from the office to say that Whitson was going to be late this evening.

8:35 Desk advises that Foster just returned to his apartment--his door slams.

8:45 Foster called desk to say that if he received any calls tonight HE WAS NOT IN.

9:00 Whitson on duty. Leckie out. Clerk at desk says Foster picked up a letter when he came in at 8:35 that had been in his box when Clerk came on duty, at 7:00 p. m.

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Benjamin Franklin Apts.

10:00 PM Desk reports no calls for Foster and no messages.

10:10 Lights off in Foster's kitchen. Mic picks up clink of glass and sound of voices. (phoned Wright.)

10:21 Wright reports no lights in Foster's apartment and no signs of activity.

3-21-36

6:48 AM Leckie in on duty. Whitson out.

10:00 Called desk regarding mail or messages for Foster - None.

11:00

1:30 PM Called desk regarding mail or messages--None.

2:20

2:30 Called Graystone.--McKee.

4:45 Desk called to say that Foster just left Benjamin Franklin.

4:46 Called Graystone--Wright said that Foster just entered the Victoria.

7:00 Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

7:32 Incoming. No answer. Desk reports Tiney called but left no number.

Benjamin Franklin Apts.

3-22-36 Whitson on duty.
1:25 AM Desk rings Foster in. Foster enters 603.
1:30 Foster in his kitchen.
2:02 Lights out in Foster's apartment.
3:22 Foster in his kitchen.
3:45 Lights out in Foster's kitchen.
4:10 Foster has bad cough. In kitchen. Slams refrigerator door.
(Phoned McKee)
4:25 All lights out in Foster's apartment except bathroom light.
6:55 Leckie in on duty. Whitson out.

11:05

2:55 PM

2:57 Called Graystone--McKee.
4:03 Foster left his apartment--Desk advised.
4:05 Called Graystone--McKee.
6:15 Desk advises that Foster just came in.
6:18 Called Graystone--Wright.
7:00 Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

7:32

8:15 Foster has radio turned full on--a play. (Unusual selection for Foster.) (Phoned McKee.)

8:26 McKee calls to say Wright observed Foster's apartment from roof. Foster alone, lying in bed listening to radio.

9:40 Foster in his kitchen.

11:57 Lights out in Foster's apartment.

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments

3-23-36

6:58 AM Leckie in on duty--Whitson off.

11:20 Called desk regarding mail or messages--none.

11:37

1:15 PM Desk advises that Foster just left.

1:17 Called Graystone--Wright.

1:30 Desk advised that Foster just returned to his apartment.

1:31 Called Graystone--Wright.

2:05 Desk called to say that Foster received an airmail letter from Miss Robertson--mailed at Ashtabula, Ohio, 6 p. m. 3/20/36.

2:07 Desk calls Foster to say that he has a letter--Foster will go down for the letter.

2:08 Foster leaves his apartment and returns soon after.

5:00 Desk advises that Foster just left.

5:02 Called Graystone--Wright.

5:20 Unknown woman calls Foster--his phone rings several times--no answer.

7:00 Whitson in, on duty--Leckie out.

10:36 Desk rings Foster in.

10:37 Foster enters #603.

11:36 Wright called.

11:40 Foster's lights out.

3-24-36

12:07 AM Foster in his kitchen.

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments.

3-24-36 (cont.)

12:42 AM Foster's lights out.

1:21 Foster moving around his apartment.

6:50 Leckin in on duty--Whitson out.

11:50 Called desk regarding mail--no mail or no messages.

bx 12:30 PM

2:25 Called desk regarding mail or messages-- none today so far.

3:30 Called Graystone--Talked to McKee.

6:20

6:22 Called Graystone--McKee.

6:25 Desk called to say that Foster just left.

6:26 Called Graystone--McKee.

6:30 Whitson in on duty--Leckie out.

10:35 McKee called--Foster at Victoria.

11:23 Desk rings Foster in.

11:26 Foster enters #603.

3-25-36

12:15 AM Foster has been in kitchen every few minutes since his return. Mic picks up sound of several voices. (Phoned Bugas.)

12:27 Foster's lights out. (Phoned Bugas, who states Foster was drinking alone.)

1:40 Foster in his kitchen.

2:03 Foster's lights out.

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments.
3-25-36 (cont.)

6:45 AM Leckie in on duty--Whitson out.

11:45 Moorhead (the cleaner) came to Foster's apartment and left right away.

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1:20 PM

1:35

1:36 Called Graystone--Bugas.

2:05 Foster left apartment--desk advised that he left.

4:07 Foster returns to his apartment.

4:09 Called Graystone--Bugas.

4:10 Foster called drug store for a case of beer. Told them to get the key at the desk and place the beer in the ice box as he would not be there.

4:15 Called Graystone--Bugas.

4:17 Foster leaves his apartment again--desk advises.

4:19 Called Graystone--Bugas.

5:20 Foster returns to his apartment.

5:55 Foster leaves his apartment again.

5:56 Talked to Bugas at Graystone, who stated that Foster just went into the Victoria.

6:53 Foster returns to his apartment.

6:54 Called Graystone--Bugas.

7:00 Whitson on duty--Leckie out.

7:05

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments.

3-25-36 (cont.)

8:26 PM

9:31

(Phoned McKee.)

10:32

Two girls enter Foster's. Girl gives Foster an address: 1423
(one syllable) St., the sham (two syllable word.) Apts.

11:13

Girls leave Foster's apartment. (Phoned McKee that Foster possibly
left with them.)

11:18

Checked with desk. Foster didn't leave. (Checked with Bugas.)

11:35

Foster's lights out.

3-26-36

6:55 AM

Leckie in on duty.

7:00

Whitson out.

1:45 PM

Foster leaves his apartment. Desk advises that he did not call cab.

1:46

Talked to Bugas at Graystone.

3:30

McKee called to say that Foster mailed a letter, also that Bugas
was out with Foster.

4:05

Desk advises that Foster just arrived back at his apartment. He
enters his apartment and closes door.

6:05

Two women arrive at Foster's apartment. Can't be sure but believe
that it is Tiny and her friend. I called the desk, but they
state that the women must have come up through the garage as they
did not come through the lobby. (The mic. does not get the con-
versation very well but I did hear Foster ask them if they wanted

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments.

3-26-36 (cont.)

Whiskey or Gin.)

6:07 PM Called Graystone--McKee.

7:00 Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

7:07 Contact Mic. cannot pick up intelligible conversation because of the radio which is turned on full. The women's voices sound drunk.

7:22 Desk rings Foster out. Says one of women was Mrs. Robertson.
(Phoned Bugas.)

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments

3-26-36 (continued)

10:17 PM McKee calls to say Foster and Mom are back at the Victoria.

10:39 Desk rings Foster in.

10:40 Foster enters 603.

3-27-36

1:28 AM Foster's lights out.

6:45 Leckie in on duty. Whitson out.

10:00 Called desk regarding mail or messages -- none.

12:40 PM Desk called Foster to say that Peterson was in the lobby. Foster said for him to come on up. Unable to get the conversation with the mic. Peterson enters the apartment soon after the call.

12:45 Called Bugas at Graystone.

3:40 Billings in with mail.

3:55 Called desk regarding mail or messages -- none.

4:25 Desk advises that Foster just went out.

4:27 Called Graystone--Bugas.

4:50 Foster back in his apartment. Desk did not notify, but Bugas called from Graystone.

5:50 Bugas called regarding Foster's location. Foster still here. Desk called his apartment by mistake.

6:10

6:16 Foster leaves Benjamin Franklin Apartments. Unable to get Graystone, as line apparently out of order for several minutes.

7:00 Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

9:40 Bugas called to say Foster had returned from Nikabob to Victoria.

10:29 Desk rings Foster in.

10:30 Foster enters 603.

Log -- Benjamin Franklin Apartments

3-27-36 (continued)

12:40 AM Foster's lights out.

1:10 Foster in his kitchen.

1:30 Foster's lights out.

6:56 Leckie in--Whitson out.

9:45

10:43 Foster leaves his apartment--Advised by desk that he just left.

10:45 Called Bugas at Graystone.

12:40 PM Desk advises that Foster just returned and is on his way up. Foster enters his apartment.

12:42 Called Graystone--Bugas.

2:25 Foster called drug store for a carton of Camel cigarettes.

2:35 Camel cigarettes arrive.

5:00 Foster out. Advised by desk that a number of people were in the lobby when he went out and that they had to wait three minutes to call.

5:03 McKee called to say that Foster left Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria.

7:04 Call for Foster, but he did not answer. Man calling--will call again.

7:05 Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

8:05 Desk rings Foster in. (Phoned Bugas.)

8:06 Foster calls desk--orders dozen eggs for morning.

11:45 Foster's lights out.

LOG - BENJAMIN FRANKLIN APARTMENTS

3-29-36

2:10 AM Foster in his kitchen
2:22 AM Foster lights out
6:45 AM Leckie in on duty. Whitson out.
11:35 AM Foster's Sunday Times still in hall
12:10 PM Foster takes his paper in
1:02 PM [REDACTED]
1:04 PM Called Graystone, talked to McKee
2:26 PM Desk rings, Foster out
2:28 PM Called Greystone; talked to Bugas
4:12 PM Call for Foster from some unknown woman. Refused to leave a message or number, but stated she would call back.
6:55 PM Foster arrived at his apartment. Desk did not call, but Bugas called. The man on duty at the desk did not see him come in. But his lights are on in his apartment.
7:07 PM Called McKee to tell him that he was in for sure.
7:08 PM Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

3-30-36

12:10 AM Foster's lights out. (Bugas phones, states Foster has gone to bed)
1:05 AM Foster in his kitchen. Radio on
1:45 AM Kitchen light off; radio still on
2:35 AM Foster in his kitchen
2:40 AM Kitchen light off; radio still on
3:45 AM Radio still going in Foster's apartment - Station KFAC
4:00 AM Radio in Foster's apartment turned off.

LOG - BENJAMIN FRANKLIN APARTMENTS

4:36 AM Foster moving around his apartment

5:26 AM Foster moving around his apartment

6:50 AM Leckie in on duty; Whitson off.

11:56 AM

11:58 AM Called Graystone. McKee.

1:00 PM

1:36 PM Foster leaves his apartment. Desk notifies.

1:38 PM Called Graystone. McKee stated Foster was crossing the street to Victoria and that he entered the Victoria.

8:06 PM Desk advises that Foster just returned to his apartment and that he was on his way up in the elevator.

8:08 PM Called Graystone. Osborne.

Foster received two airmail letters from Jean today. Both mailed at Ashtabula, Ohio, and addressed to J. C. Foster, 512 S. Hobart, L.A.

9:45 PM Foster's lights out. Apparently gone to bed. He was not heard again during the night.

3-31-36

6:00 AM Foster in kitchen apparently having drink of water

7:00 AM Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

11:12 AM Outgoing. Michigan 1301. Foster asks if the doctor is in. Woman says the doctor is in Pasadena. Foster asks for an appointment for this afternoon, adding that he was referred by Dr. Safarik. Woman states that 3:30 is open. Foster asks her if the number is 1052. She says yes. (Check of physicians in phone book shows Dr. J. Salem Rubin, 1052 W. 6th, MI 1301). Phoned to McKee.

11:15 AM Checked with desk. No mail
11:45 AM Foster's door slams. (Phoned Billings to be on alert. Checked with desk - Foster has not come through lobby)
11:59 AM Phoned McKee
12:50 PM Desk rings, Foster out. (Phoned McKee) Desk says Foster didn't call taxi.
1:42 PM Incoming. No answer. Desk reports no message. Woman called
4:00 PM Checked with desk. No mail
4:28 PM Billings calls to say Foster and Mrs. Robertson at Wilshire Tea Room
7:15 PM Leckie in on duty. Whitson out
9:10 PM Desk advises Foster just came in and is on way to his apartment. Foster enters his apartment

9:11 PM Called Graystone. Advised Bugas that Foster was home

12:05 AM Foster's lights out. Apparently gone to bed.

4-1-36

7:00 AM Whitson on duty. Leckie out.

11:00 AM Checked with desk. No mail

11:40 AM

(Phoned McKee)

1:23 PM

(Phoned McKee)

1:35 PM Foster out. (desk did not ring)

2:45 PM Checked with desk. Airmail letter to Foster from Imogen Robertson, postmarked Ashtabula, Ohio, March 30, 1936

3:00 PM Phoned McKee, who advised that Foster was going to take Mrs. Robertson to the doctor.

6:50 PM Leckie in on duty. Whitson out.

11:55 PM Desk calls to say that Foster just came in and on his way to his apartment. Foster enters apartment and slams door. Desk also advises that

Foster is VERY drunk.

4-2-36

12:10 AM Foster tries to get desk, but unsuccessful. He then leaves his apartment and goes to lobby. Agent tries to get desk, but can't until Foster got to the lobby. Agent asked the clerk to call back as soon as he was able to talk. Also called Graystone, talked to McKee.

12:13 AM Desk calls to say that Foster just wanted a number and that he was on his way back to his apartment.

12:18 AM

12:20 AM Called Graystone. Talked to McKee.

1:45 AM [REDACTED] rang Foster's phone several times, but he did not answer. He was either too drunk or asleep and did not hear the phone, as he was definitely in his apartment at the time. The call was never completed.

LOG -- GRAYSTONE APARTMENTS.

3-21-36

9:40 AM McKee on--Bugas off.

10:00 Radio tested -- O. K.

11:25 Leckie called. Foster is a little ill and will not go out today until at least 5:30 p. m. at which time he might go out. He and Mom are supposed to go to the El Capitan Theatre tonight.

5:00 PM Foster goes to the Victoria Apartments.

5:20 Foster calls a cab and goes to the Biltmore Hotel where he meets Mom. The plans for tonight are for them to go to the El Capitan Theatre. It is known where they are going they will not be tailed further tonight. He will be checked in when he returns from the theatre. In a telephone conversation today he indicated he would return for the night about 1:00 A. M.

10:00 All is quiet.

12:00 M. All is quiet. Radio tested o. k.

3-22-36

12:15 AM Foster and Mom return to Victoria in cab. McGuire radioes.

1:20 Foster goes to the Benjamin Franklin. McGuire radioes. Whitson phones.

4:10 Whitson called to say that Foster was moving around in his apartment. Nothing further happened, however.

10:15 All is quiet. Leckie contacted.

10:30 Radio tested--o. k.

12:45 PM Wright on--Bugas off.

2:45 Leckie called. Foster is going to the Victoria in a few minutes.

4:00 Foster seen going into the Victoria. Leckie phoned and Osborne radioed.

6:00 Foster went to grocery store and came back to Victoria.

Log -- Graystone Apartments.

3-22-36 (continued)

6:30 PM Foster went to the Benjamin Franklin.

8:20 Whitson phoned. Possibly someone in Foster's apartment with him. The radio was playing loudly. Wright went on the roof and found Foster in bed alone listening to the radio. Whitson notified.

9:00 Radio tested -- O. K.

12:00 M. Radio tested -- O. K.

3-23-36

10:00 AM Radio tested -- O. K. Osborne wants some batteries (A) and tape. Bugas will bring it to him.

1:45 PM Foster left Benjamin Franklin, went to drug store, corner 6th & Serrano Streets, made purchase, and returned directly to Benjamin Franklin. Leckie notified.

2:00 Radio test -- O. K.

5:00 Foster went to the mail box at 6th and Serrano and mailed a letter to Jean. Wright stayed at the mail box until this information was obtained. Foster then returned to the Victoria.

7:45 Foster and Mom got in a Black and White Cab and went to the Nikabob.

8:30 McKee off--Bugas on.

10:30 Foster and Mom return to Victoria in cab. Foster goes to Benjamin Franklin.

3-24-36

9:00 AM McKee and Bugas on duty.

5:20 PM Leckie called. Foster still in his apartment.

6:20 Leckie called. Foster will go to Victoria, meet Mom and later go to dinner.

6:30 Foster goes to the Victoria.

Log -- Graystone Apartments

3-24-36

8:00 PM Foster and Mom take a California cab to the Nickabob.

9:30 Foster and Mom return to the Victoria.

11:20 Foster goes to the Benjamin Franklin. McGuire Radios. Whitson notified.

3-25-36

12:25 AM Whitson calls from Benjamin Franklin, saying he hears Foster mixing lots of drinks and the wall set picked up women's voices whether from Foster's room or not, Whitson could not tell. Bugas went to roof of Graystone and checked; saw Foster sitting quietly by the bedside in pajamas sipping a drink, at end of which he went to bed. Whitson called and was given this information.

10:30 McKee called SAC Hanson re dial recorder not working so well.

2:00 PM Foster leaves in his car. McKee and Bugas tail him to Thelma Todd's Cafe. He stopped once on the way, on Wilshire, for beer, and apparently went inside Thelma Todd's for drink. Coming out of Thelma Todd's he drove north on the roadway for about a mile, rather than going right back home, and in so doing drove past Agents who were parked by seaside pretending to view ocean. On up the road he swung around and Agents were again forced to pass him. If he became aware of Agents following him it was not apparent. He returned home via Sunset Blvd., having gone out Wilshire, stopping for groceries. Went into Benjamin Franklin about 4:20 p. m.

4:25 Foster to Victoria.

6:15 Foster goes back to Benjamin Franklin. Has colored boy put car in garage.

8:15 McGuire called. [REDACTED]

8:30 Whitson called re Foster's telephone call to VAndyke 0618. He will call the office about it (See Whitson's log.)

9:30 Whitson called--Foster to have two girls in his apartment at 10:30 tonight.

10:30 Two girls arrive and visit Foster's room. Leave about 11:30 in a new coupe license Calif., 1936, 5U 55??.

Log -- Graystone Apartments

3-25-36

10:45 AM Osborne radioed. Wants batteries. Office notified. McGuire to bring them out.

1:45 PM Foster went to the mail box on 6th and Serrano Streets and mailed a letter to Arthur Christopherson, 301 Hennepin St., Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Hanson advised of this by McKee, who waited for the mail carrier to arrive. Bugas is now on Foster's tail. Foster, after mailing the letter (airmail) got out his car and drove away. Bugas tailed him alone as McKee was waiting at the mail box.

4:05 Foster is back at the Benjamin Franklin. Leckie called and Osborne radioed. His car is parked on the West side of Hobart Street near the Victoria.
When Foster went out at 1:45 p. m., above, he drove north on San Fernando Road, the Bakersfield Highway, out about 33 miles from Los Angeles; At the LOMA VERDE Cafe, 33 miles out, he stopped and went inside, staying for about twenty minutes came out and returned directly to the Benjamin Franklin. He seemed to merely be taking a ride. The Loma Verde Cafe, Agent ascertained to be a place where dinners, lunches and beer are served, and is propriered by a man named KILLIS TIDM. It is thought he went inside for a glass of beer, it being his custom to stop for beer when taking drives in this manner.

6:15 Leckie called from Benjamin Franklin and said Foster had two women in his apartment.

7:30 Foster, Mrs. Robertson and another woman came out of the Benjamin Franklin and went into the Victoria. Called a cab and were tailed to the Nikabob.

9:30 Party leaves Nikabob in Taxi and goes to apartment house 2-3 blocks therefrom. Apparently where other woman lives; this address to be ascertained.

10:15 Foster and Mrs. Robertson return to the Victoria.

10:40 Foster goes to the Benjamin Franklin.

12:00 M. Radio test -- o. k.

LOG - GRAYSTONE

3-27-36

10:30 AM Radio tested O. K.
 11:35 AM Leckie called. Foster apparently still in bed.
 12:00 M Radio test; works okay.
 1:00 PM Leckie called and said that Mr. Peterson, evidently Aunt Effie's husband, is visiting Foster in latter's room, and in light of previous conversations between them it is possible that Peterson will take Foster for a drive in Peterson's car.
 4:25 PM Leckie called and said Foster just went out. He went over to Victoria with a suit box under his arm, and ordered a case of beer on the phone from Schwabs Drug Store to be delivered to Victoria. He then went out and walked around to the Serrano Grocery, bought a sack of groceries and returned to the Benj. Franklin at 4:40 PM.
 5:40 PM Leckie says Foster still in Benjamin Franklin.
 6:20 PM Foster went to the Victoria.
 7:40 PM Foster called a cab, he and Mrs. Robertson then went to the Nickabob for dinner, being tailed in one of the Buick Sedans. On the way back to the Victoria they stopped in an apartment about 1 1/2 blocks from the Nickabob but only stayed long enough to find there was no one at home. They returned to the Victoria at 9:07. While tailing Foster at night in a cab it is necessary to stay pretty close on his tail. If the same cab takes him often enough it is possible the cab driver may notice a buick sedan following him and it should be remembered that the Sheriff's office of Los Angeles uses these same type cars and entirely possible that cab drivers know this. If one of these cab drivers notice the Buick he may mention the fact to Foster.
 10:30 PM Foster goes to the Benjamin Franklin. McGuire radioed and Whitson notified.

3-28-36

9:45 AM Leckie phoned. Mom is sick and Foster is going to the Victoria in a few minutes to see her.
 10:40 AM Foster went into the Victoria. Osborne and Leckie called.
 10:50 AM Osborne radioed. Foster will not go to Mickey's this afternoon.
 12:40 PM Foster goes to Benj. Franklin. Leckie called and Osborne radioed.
 4:50 PM Foster goes to Victoria. Osborne radioed. Leckie notified.
 8:00 PM Foster goes to Benj. Franklin. McGuire and Whitson know it.
 10:00 PM Radio tested Okay.
 12:00 PM All is quiet. Radio tested O. K.

3-29-36

1:15 PM Radio has been working good all morning. Leckie phoned to say Foster was going to Victoria in few minutes.
 2:30 PM Foster goes to Victoria; both Victoria and Leckie notify Graystone of same.
 6:50 PM Foster went into the Benjamin Franklin.
 8:40 PM Whitson called. Heard the door to Foster's apartment close, the radio is playing and maybe someone is in there with him. McKee took a peep from the roof of the Graystone and Foster was sitting quietly by himself listening to the radio. Whitson notified of this.
 9:00 PM Whitson radioed McGuire calls from Victoria; radio working okay.
 11:40 PM Whitson called. Sounds like two women in Foster's apt. Investigation

Graystone Log

by Bugas determined Foster just going to bed alone. Whitson advised.

3-30-36

11:55 AM

Osborne radioed. Foster will go to Victoria about 2:00 PM. Leckie advised Graystone of this also.

1:40 PM

Foster goes to Victoria stopping on way to talk to Mr. and Mrs. Tom Haley. Osborne radioed and Leckie called.

2:00 PM

Leckie called re [REDACTED]

Leckie also says Foster is to take Mom out this afternoon. Mom is still sick and she is going to a doctor.

2:20 PM

Foster and Mom got into his car and went to the Taft Building, Vine and Hollywood Blvd., stayed about an hour, came out and went to the Cocktail Bar about three doors distance. He apparently took Mom to the Doctor. As he was with Mom and it was an innocent trip Agents Bugas and McKee left them at 4:15 PM. Upon returning to the Graystone at 5:10 PM Osborne radioed that Foster and Mom had returned to the Victoria.

9:00 PM

Foster returns to the Benjamin Franklin. Remains there rest of the evening.

3-31-36

8:30 AM

Bugas and Osborne off. McKee and Billings on.

11:00 AM

Cleaning boys came in and radio was disconnected.

12:00 M

Whitson called. Foster has made an appointment with a doctor at 1052 West 6th Street for 3:30 PM today.

12:20 PM

Apartment cleaned, radio set up and tested Okay.

12:55 PM

Whitson called and Osborne radioed that Foster was coming out of the Benjamin Franklin. He went to the barber shop on 6th Street.

2:00 PM

Radio tested Okay.

3:00 PM

Foster returned to the Victoria.

3:10 PM

Osborne radioed Foster had called a cab. He was tailed to 1052 West 6th Street, where he stayed until about 4:15 PM. He returned in another cab to the Victoria. Mr. Hanson ascertained through the Telephone Company that the telephone number called by Foster in making the appointment, Michigan 1301, is listed to Chas. F. Nelson, M. D., 7th Floor, 1052 West 6th St., and the following physicians are also listed for this number: Milton Tobias; F. J. Bauer; S. Reina; Edward E. Nippert; C. L. Mulfinger; R. F. Hastreiter; A. P. Burroughs. C. I. Monson, D. D. S., and H. E. Richard, Insurance, are also listed for this telephone number.

4:30 PM

Foster returned to Victoria.

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6:25 PM Foster and Mom walk out of Victoria and go to Wilshire Tea Room for dinner.

7:25 PM Foster and Mom returned to Victoria.

7:30 PM Bugas on. Billings off.

9:05 PM Foster returns to Benjamin Franklin. McGuire radioed. Leckie phoned. At 8:45 PM SAC Hanson telephoned re letter from Whitely, N. Y., telling of an interview between an Agent of the New York office and Ed Bentz, recently apprehended bank robbery. The letter set out that in Bentz' opinion Foster is at present the smartest crook, or retired crook, in the United States today; that he has been in crooked work for many years and has been smart enough never to allow himself to be caught and convicted; that he was one of the old school of bank men in the yegg days but was progressive enough to keep abreast of the times and change his methods accordingly; that he has put away \$75,000.00 on which he has retired at present. Furthermore, Bentz stated, Foster is the type if ever apprehended and given a chance, he will give fight and start shooting; that he is undoubtedly armed in some manner, though perhaps not presently with a machine gun. He will, according to Bentz, start shooting and fight it out rather than be caught. Hanson instructed that all Agents on this plant be instructed as to this information.

11:00 PM Radio tested Okay.

12:00 PM Whitson called and advised Foster had retired.

4-1-36

8:25 AM Bugas off. Billings on.

11:40 AM Whitson phoned and advised [REDACTED]

12:00 M Radio tested Okay.

1:20 PM Osborne radioed and Whitson called re Foster will go to bank in a few minutes.

1:35 PM Foster came out of Benjamin Franklin, got his car and went to the Bank. He immediately returned to the Victoria. Office advised of this trip.

3:15 PM Foster and Mom are tailed to the Taft Building on Broadway and Vine Sts. As Foster was with Mom and driving his own car it was thought best not to wait until they came out of this building for the purpose of tailing them home. While Foster is driving his own automobile it is entirely possible he may be watching traffic out of his two rear vision mirrors and on account of this may notice the Buick which is driven by Agents. In order to follow him in heavy traffic it is necessary to stay close to him and when it was known he was in the Taft Building where Mom sees the Doctor they were tailed no further.

5:55 PM [REDACTED]

6:40 PM Foster and Mom return to the Victoria.

7:45 PM Foster and Mom leave in Cab (Yellow) No. 636 and go to Berendo Cafe, 3600 1/2 West Third St., for dinner. This is a small cafe and few customers were present. Therefore no effort was made to keep them under surveillance.

8:30 PM Foster and Mom still at the above cafe.

9:00 PM Bugas in. Billings out.

Graystone Log

9:20 PM McKee checks on Foster and Mom; still at Berendo Cafe.

9:45 PM "

11:55 PM Foster and Mom return to Victoria in yellow cab. Foster does not go into the Victoria but wabbles to the Benjamin Franklin noticeable drunk. McGuire radios and Leckie calls. He was tailed from Berendo Cafe to the Victoria.

4-2-36

b7c 12:30 AM Leckie called to say Foster was still up roaming around in his apartment

Also that the clerk had told him (Leckie) that Foster was pretty drunk.

LOG FOR THE VICTORIA APARTMENTS

MARCH 22, 1936 (continued)

7:00 P. M. McGuire on; Osborne off.
7:15 P. M. Radio tested. Advised that Foster returned to Benjamin Franklin Apts.
9:00 P. M. Radio tested hourly to 12 midnight.

MARCH 23, 1936:

8:10 A. M. Osborne on; McGuire off.
10:10 A. M. &
11:55 A. M. Radio tested - OK.
1:10 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and proceeded towards West 6th St.
Radioed to the Graystone.
1:25 P. M. Foster returned to the Benjamin Franklin.
5:00 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin; entered Victoria.
7:00 P. M. McGuire on; Osborne off.
7:30 P. M. Radio tested. Foster still in the Victoria.
7:40 P. M. Foster and Mrs. Robertson left the Victoria in a Cab.
Radioed to Graystone.
9:00 P. M. Radio tested.
10:36 P. M. Foster leaves the Victoria and enters the Benjamin Franklin; radioed.
12 Midnight Radio tested.

MARCH 24, 1936:

7:55 A. M. Osborne on; McGuire off.
8:00 A. M. to
6:00 P. M. Radio tested hourly - OK.
6:15 P. M. Mrs. Robertson arrives in taxi.
6:25 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria.
6:40 P. M. McGuire on; Osborne off.

7:30 P. M. Radio tested - OK.
8:01 P. M. Foster and Mrs. Robertson leave the Victoria in a cab - radioed.
8:40 P. M. Incoming call - no answer.
9:25 P. M. Foster and Mrs. Robertson return to the Victoria in cab.
11:00 P. M. Radio tested - OK.
11:23 P. M. Foster leaves the Victoria and enters the Benjamin Franklin - radioed.
12 Midnight Radio tested - OK.

MARCH 25, 1936:

7:45 A. M. Osborne on; McGuire off.

9:00 A. M. [REDACTED]

10:06 A. M. &
12:00 Noon Radio tested - OK.

1:45 P. M. [REDACTED]

2:05 P. M. Foster left.

4:10 P. M. Foster returned in the Chevrolet and entered the Benjamin Franklin.

4:20 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria.

6:00 P. M. Radio tested - OK.

6:45 P. M. McGuire on; Osborne off.

6:50 P. M. Foster leaves the Victoria and enters the Benjamin Franklin - radioed.

7:05 P. M. [REDACTED]

8:00 P. M. to
12:00 Midnight Radio tested hourly - OK.

MARCH 26, 1936:

7:33 A. M. Mrs. Robertson called for a cab.
7:35 A. M. Mrs. Robertson leaves the Victoria.
8:00 A. M. Osborne on; McGuire off.
11:05 A. M. &
12:05 P. M. Radio tested - OK.
1:45 P. M. Foster left the Benjamin Franklin and proceeded towards 6th Street.
1:55 P. M. Foster returned to the Victoria and obtained the Chevrolet and drove off towards 6th Street. Before obtaining auto he stood in front of the Victoria for several minutes looking in the direction of 5th St. as if he expected to see someone in that direction whom he knew.
3:35 P. M. Radio tested - OK.
4:06 P. M. Foster entered the Benjamin Franklin.
7:23 P. M. Foster accompanied by two women left the Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria. One of the women was Mrs. Robertson but the other one was not known to this agent.
7:28 P. M. Mrs. Robertson called a cab. Shortly thereafter the three above mentioned entered the cab and drove off towards 5th Street.
7:30 P. M. McGuire on; Osborne off.
9:45 P. M. Radio tested - OK.
10:10 P. M. Foster and Mrs. Robertson return to the Victoria in cab - radioed.
10:37 P. M. Foster leaves the Victoria and enters the Benjamin Franklin - radioed.
11:15 P. M. &
12:00 Midnight Radio tested - OK.

MARCH 27, 1936:

8:00 A. M. Osborne on; McGuire off.
8:37 A. M. Mrs. Robertson orders a cab and shortly thereafter leaves in it.
10:45 A. M. to
4:00 P. M. Radio tested hourly - OK.
4:30 P. M. Foster called Schwab Pharmacy and ordered a case of beer.

6:07 PM Mrs. Robertson returned in a cab.
 6:13 PM [REDACTED]
 6:20 PM Foster left Benjamin Franklin and entered Victoria.
 7:15 PM McGuire on; Osborne off.
 7:25 PM [REDACTED] Radioed. OK.
 7:30 PM Mrs. Robertson and Foster leave Victoria in Cab.
 9:07 PM Mrs. Robertson and Foster return to the Victoria in Cab.
 9:40 PM Radio tested OK.
 10:28 PM Foster leaves Victoria and enters Benjamin Franklin. Radioed OK.
 11:30 PM Radio test.

MARCH 28, 1936

8:00 AM Osborne on. McGuire off.
 8:54 AM Mrs. Robertson left in Cab.
 9:32 AM Mrs. Robertson returns in cab.
 9:44 AM [REDACTED]

9:47 AM [REDACTED]

10:05 AM [REDACTED]

10:42 AM [REDACTED]
 10:55 AM [REDACTED]

12:30 PM Radio tested OK.
 12:36 PM Foster left Victoria and entered Benjamin Franklin.
 3:46 PM Incoming call. No answer.
 4:50 PM Foster returns to Victoria from the Benjamin Franklin.
 Radioed to Graystone.
 5:50 PM Foster ordered razor blades, Sunday morning Times and parsley from Schwab's Pharmacy.

6:45 PM McGuire on; Osborne off.
 6:50 PM Radio tested OK.
 8:00 PM Radio tested OK.
 8:03 PM Foster leaves Victoria and enters Benjamin Franklin. Radioed.
 10:00 PM Radio tested OK.
 12:00 M. Radio tested OK.

MARCH 29, 1936

8:10 AM Osborne on; McGuire off.
12:00 M Radio tested
1:05 PM [REDACTED]
2:30 PM Foster left Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria.
2:55 PM Foster orders a case of Beer from Schwab's Pharmacy.
5:05 PM Radio tested.
6:55 PM Foster in Benjamin Franklin. Radioed.
7:15 PM McGuire on; Osborne off.
9:00 PM to 12:00 PM Radio tested hourly OK.

March 30, 1936

8:15 AM Osborne on; McGuire off.
11:50 AM [REDACTED]
1:35 PM Foster left Benjamin Franklin and entered the Victoria, stopping en route to speak to Haley. Radioed to Graystone.
5:00 PM Foster returns in Chevrolet and enters Victoria.
5:05 PM Foster calls Benjamin Franklin and inquires for his mail. There are two letters from Ashtabula. Foster requested that Noah bring them over to 107 Victoria.
5:12 PM [REDACTED]
6:45 PM McGuire on; Osborne off.
7:00 PM Radio tested OK.
8:00 PM Foster leaves the Victoria and enters Benjamin Franklin. Radioed OK.
10:10 PM Radio tested OK.

March 31, 1936

6:00 AM Osborne on; McGuire off.
12:10 PM Radio tested.
12:50 PM Foster left Benjamin Franklin and proceeded towards W. 6th St. Radioed to Graystone.
1:42 PM [REDACTED]
3:07 PM Foster calls cab from Mrs. Robertson's apartment. Radioed.
3:12 PM Foster left in a cab.
4:24 PM Foster returned to Victoria in a taxi.

4:33 PM

6:40 PM

7:15 PM

9:02 PM

10:00 PM

11:00 PM

McGuire on; Osborne off.

Radio tested OK.

Foster leaves the Victoria and enters Benjamin Franklin. Radioed OK.

Radio tested OK.

Radio tested OK.

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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
April 1, 1936

Personal and Confidential

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau will observe a carbon copy of a code telegram in the Brekid case dated April 1, 1936 from the El Paso Office to the Oklahoma City Office, and a carbon copy of a telegraphic reply from the Oklahoma City Office to the El Paso Office dated April 1, 1936, stating that the message received from El Paso was not clear. On the same date the El Paso Office advised by wire that the code message from El Paso should be decoded as per Bureau letter of March 26th.

In explanation of the above, I desire to state that during the absence of the Special Agent in Charge, a letter was received addressed to the Special Agent in Charge under personal and confidential cover. This letter was placed in the desk of the Special Agent in Charge as it was believed he would return immediately to his headquarters office. Due to the unexpected delay in the return of the Special Agent in Charge, and the telegram from the El Paso Office that its message should be decoded as per Bureau letter of March 26th, the personal and confidential letter from the Bureau to the Agent in Charge at Oklahoma City was opened and found to be instructions dated March 26, 1936, to become effective April 1, 1936, with respect to coding and decoding messages.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - El Paso.

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April 7, 1936.

Director,
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Re: CLAYTON ALVA HALL

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith fingerprint card
of Clayton Alva Hall.

It is respectfully requested that the Chicago,
Cincinnati, and Cleveland Bureau offices be furnished
with copies of his criminal record, if any.

Very truly yours,

J. P. MacFarland

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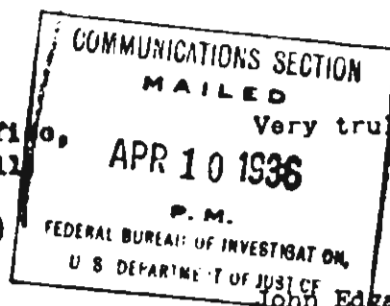
Dear Sir:

Referring to fingerprints forwarded by you, please be advised that an examination of the fingerprint records of the Federal Bureau of Investigation fails to disclose any data concerning the following:

1- Clayton Alva Hall

(CC-Bu. Office,
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Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 62-5400
J. B. DICKERSON

TITLE

WILLIAM ELMER MEAD with aliases, I. O. 1354

CHARACTER OF CASE

ENDEAVOR TO LOCATE

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Addresses in New York City obtained as a result of mail going to persons living at 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Fla., were checked, and no information was obtained that would lead to the location of Mead. Mr. Keegan of the Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau, Hartford, Conn. unable to furnish any information.

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent J. B. Dickerson, New York City, March 18, 1936; report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Jacksonville, Fla. March 19, 1936.

DETAILS:

Reference report of Special Agent Fitzsimons dated March 19, 1936, sets forth information that Mr. and Mrs. JULIAN KAUFMAN are living at 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Fla., and that that address is supposed to be the headquarters for confidence men. In the above mentioned report, return addresses are listed as they appeared on mail going to 1724 Johnson Street, Hollywood, Fla. These return addresses were furnished to Agent Fitzsimons by Mr. J. R. BARNES.

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postmaster, Hollywood, Fla., and in said report various field offices are requested to make appropriate investigation of these addresses in their territory, looking toward the location of MEAD.

By letter dated March 27, 1936, the Jacksonville Office was advised by this office as to information in the file at the New York Office relative to JULIAN KAUFMAN, and also concerning an interview which was had with KAUFMAN by this writer. At the time of the interview, this Agent understood KAUFMAN to give his name as JULIUS rather than JULIAN. However, other information tends to show that his correct name is JULIAN KAUFMAN. As stated in the letter to the Jacksonville Office, KAUFMAN is a gambler known as "POTATOES," and was formerly a member of the CAPONE gang. Carbon copies of this letter to the Jacksonville Office were sent to all interested offices.

In checking the addresses listed in Agent Fitzsimons' report, the following investigation was made:

The address 1 Fifth Avenue, New York City, is an apartment hotel with over four hundred rooms. Mr. JOHN W. HEATH, manager of this apartment hotel, advised that he did not have anyone by the name of K. S. KORN living at that address. However, a Mr. ALEXANDER H. KORN and his wife have occupied an apartment there since June 1, 1935. He stated that KORN was supposed to have lived at 200 West 86th Street, New York City before moving to 1 Fifth Avenue; that according to information which he had received, KORN operates the Royal Factors Corp., a money-lending business, and has an office at 180 Madison Ave., New York City. Mr. HEATH further advised that one of the references given by Mr. KORN at the time he moved into 1 Fifth Avenue, was a Mr. ADELSON of the Manufacturers Trust Co., 34th Street and Eighth Avenue. Mr. HEATH advised that as far as he knows, KORN seems to be a respectable citizen; that he had heard that KORN'S present wife is the widow of some rich bootlegger who was killed in New Jersey a few years ago. Mr. HEATH said he did not have positive information about KORN'S wife, but had only heard the above rumor about her. Mr. HEATH further advised that Mr. and Mrs. KORN spent a month, the first of this year, in Florida. A picture of Subject MEAD was exhibited to Mr. HEATH, and he advised that he could not recall having seen a person identical with the photograph exhibited to him. Mr. HEATH was asked whether he knew the first name of KORN'S wife, and he advised that he did not.

It is noted in Agent Fitzsimons' report that mail addressed to Mrs. J. KAUFMAN, Hollywood, Fla., was from K. S. KORN, 1 Fifth Avenue, New York City. It is presumed that probably K. S. KORN is the wife of ALEXANDER H. KORN. Mr. HEATH gave the following description of KORN:

62-5690

Age	45
Height	6'
Weight	200 lbs.
Hair	Gray
Build	Heavy

Agent visited 180 Madison Avenue, and observed the following lettering on the door of Room 2207:

"Royal Factors Corporation
Bangor Mills, Inc.
Korn Brothers

b7D
b7C



The telephone directory for the City of New York reflects that ALEXANDER H. KORN resides at 1 Fifth Avenue, and his telephone number is Gramercy 7-0276.

Mr. W. STILES KOONES, manager of the Piccadilly Hotel, 227 West 45th Street, New York City, advised that there is no person by the name of J. BORNED presently living at the Piccadilly Hotel, and that no person by that name has recently lived at the hotel, to his knowledge. Reference report of Agent Fitzsimons indicates that letters were forwarded to FRANKIE QUIRK, General Delivery, Hollywood, Fla. from J. BORNED, Piccadilly Hotel, New York City on February 24, 1936 and March 3, 1936. Mr. KOONES had the hotel register checked, and he advised that he has a Mr. J. BORNEO living at the hotel, but that the register does not show any J. BORNED as having lived at the hotel within the past year; that probably Agent was referring to Mr. BORNEO and not BORNED. He advised that Mr. J. BORNEO has lived at the Piccadilly Hotel for two or more years; that he is a salesman for toilet supplies; and that he is a man about thirty-five years of age. Mr. KOONES stated that he did not know the name of the company employing Mr. BORNEO. A picture of MEAD, on which his name did not appear, was exhibited to Mr. KOONES, and he advised that he was unable to recall having seen any person at the hotel identical with the photograph exhibited to him.

From information received from various sources, it is known that the Piccadilly Hotel is frequented by gamblers and other persons of that type, and in Agent's opinion, Mr. KOONES is not very reliable, and probably would not furnish information on MEAD if he had the same. However, at the time Agent interviewed him, he exhibited cards showing that Mr. BORNEO is living at the hotel at this time, and has been living there for some time.

Mr. TURNER, manager of the apartment house at 235 West End Avenue, New York City, advised that there are one hundred fifty apartments at that address, which are rented unfurnished on a year's lease. It was indicated in Agent Fitzsimons' report that a letter was received by JULIAN KAUFMAN, General Delivery, Hollywood, Fla., from 235 West End Avenue, New York City, on March 3, 1936. A photograph of MEAD was exhibited to Mr. TURNER, and he advised that he is sure that no person identical with the photograph exhibited, lived at 235 West End Avenue, and that he does not recall having seen such a person at the house. At the request of Agent, Mr. TURNER called in the doorman and the elevator operator, and the picture of MEAD was exhibited to them. Mr. ALEX HARTMAN, the doorman, advised that he is certain that he saw a person identical with the photograph exhibited to him, either come into, or probably pass by 235 West End Avenue several times last summer; that he has not seen this person since then. Identification Order No. 1354 issued on MEAD, was left with Mr. TURNER and Mr. HARTMAN, and they advised that they would call the New York Office in the event that they saw any person that they thought identical with the photograph of MEAD. Mr. TURNER and Mr. HARTMAN seemed

to be very conscientious, and it is thought that they will cooperate with the New York Office in this matter.

Reference report of Agent Fitzsimons indicates that a letter bearing the return address of KRASNA, 280 Riverside Drive, New York City, was received by Mrs. J. KAUFMAN, Hollywood, Fla. on February 18, 1936. Number 280 Riverside Drive is an apartment house containing about one hundred thirty apartments which are rented, unfurnished, on leases of a year or more. Agent interviewed BERNARD BOYLE, elevator operator at 280 Riverside Drive, and W. J. SMITH, doorman at that address. BOYLE advised that he has been employed there for two and a half years, and SMITH stated that he had worked there for seven years. BOYLE advised that a Mr. KRASNA has been living at 280 Riverside Drive for about six months, and that he occupies an apartment with two ladies, who he understands are sisters of Mr. KRASNA. Mr. BOYLE stated that he knew very little about Mr. KRASNA as he seldom saw him. SMITH advised that Mr. KRASNA had lived at 280 Riverside Drive for six months, and that he lives with two ladies who he understands are sisters; that one of these ladies is slightly older than Mr. KRASNA and the other slightly younger; that Mr. KRASNA appears to be a high type of man, and that he (SMITH) is of the opinion that Mr. KRASNA is a traveling salesman as he is away from the city part of the time. A picture of MEAD was exhibited to SMITH and BOYLE, and they advised that they do not recall having seen a person who resembled the photograph of MEAD.

After talking with SMITH for some time, Agent was of the opinion that SMITH could be trusted, and I.O. 1354 issued on MEAD was left with SMITH, and he promised to call the New York Office in the event he saw a person who, to his mind, resembled the photograph of MEAD. Both SMITH and BOYLE promised not to mention to anyone that Agent had interviewed them concerning this matter. SMITH gave the following description of Mr. KRASNA.

Age	35
Height	5'-8"
Weight	160 lbs.
Hair	Blond

Agent ascertained that the Mark Rafalsky Co., with offices at 2112 Broadway, New York City, has charge of the apartment house at 280 Riverside Drive.

At 2112 Broadway, New York City, Agent interviewed Mr. J. L. DESBECKER, of the Mark Rafalsky Co. Mr. DESBECKER advised that JACOB A. KRASNA has been living at 280 Riverside Drive since October 1, 1935; that the lease for the apartment is for two years at a rental of \$1,500 per year; that the lease for the apartment was

signed by HENRIETTA KRASNA; that at the time JACOB A. KRASNA rented the apartment, he gave 910 West End Avenue as his former address; that the Reliance Property Management Co. of 521 Fifth Avenue had charge of the building at 910 West End Avenue at the time Mr. KRASNA lived there. Mr. DESBECKER stated that in answer to a letter he wrote at that time to the Reliance Property Management Co., he received a letter from that company, advising that Mr. KRASNA had been a tenant there, and that he always paid his rent promptly, and never caused any trouble. Mr. DESBECKER advised that Mr. KRASNA gave the Sterling National Bank, 42nd Street and Lexington Avenue as a reference at the time that he rented the apartment at 280 Riverside Drive; that this bank advised him by letter that Mr. KRASNA had JOSEPH SHALLECK, an attorney at 1450 Broadway, New York City, had a joint account at that bank, and that Mr. KRASNA appeared to be a high type of man, and that KRASNA was associated with Mr. JOSEPH SHALLECK. Mr. DESBECKER advised that Mr. KRASNA also gave the name of the Chase National Bank at 25th Street and Broadway as a reference; that in reply to a letter from the Mark Rafalsky Co., the Chase National Bank advised that Mr. KRASNA did not have an account at that bank. Mr. DESBECKER advised that the files in his office failed to show the nature of Mr. KRASNA'S work.

Agent advised Mr. DESBECKER of the interview with Mr. SMITH, and he advised that SMITH had been with the company for seven years, and should be very reliable, and he feels sure that he can be trusted to cooperate with the Bureau.

A check of the New York City Directory for the years 1933 and 1934 listed JACOB KRASNA as living at 444 Central Park West, and his wife's name was listed as YETTA. The telephone directory for New York City lists JACOB A. KRASNA as living at 280 Riverside Drive, telephone number Riverside 9-3367.

A check was made by Agent of the Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory in an effort to ascertain if Mr. KRASNA is a lawyer, but failed to find his name listed. As mentioned before in this report, the Sterling National Bank advised that Mr. KRASNA and JOSEPH SHALLECK, an attorney at 1450 Broadway, had a joint account at that bank, and it was thought that possibly Mr. KRASNA was an attorney.

As stated before in this report, information has been received that KAUFMAN is a gambler, and was formerly with the CAPONE gang. It was thought that possibly JOSEPH KRASNA is associated with this type of person, as Agent was unable to find any business with which KRASNA is connected. Agent is of the opinion that if MEAD is in contact with Mr. KRASNA at 280 Riverside Drive, New York City, that the doorman, SMITH, at that address, will notify this office.

The New York Office did not make an investigation at 25 East 86th Street, for the reason stated in the letter to the Jacksonville Office, dated March 27, 1936, that former investigation at 25 East 86th Street, disclosed that KAUFMAN had lived at that address with his wife and two children for some time, and that the mail to KAUFMAN and his wife bearing the return address of 25 East 86th Street, is probably from either KAUFMAN'S son or daughter, as they are no doubt still living at this address.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. H. Binns at Hartford, Conn. Mr. WILLIAM B. KEEGAN, investigator of the Automobile Underwriters Detective Bureau, 320 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, Conn., was furnished with specimens of MEAD'S handwriting, as mentioned in the report of this Agent, dated at New York City, February 26, 1936. Mr. KEEGAN advised Agent Binns that he does not know of any handwriting comparison departments being maintained by any of the insurance companies; that previous to Mr. JOE HARRISON'S illness, he and HARRISON used to work together in making handwriting comparisons; that the only work that they did in this regard, was to compare questionable registrations in the State of Connecticut, with specimens of the handwriting of different criminals which they happened to possess. Mr. KEEGAN further advised Agent Binns, that he had compared the specimens of MEAD'S handwriting, with questionable automobile registrations in Connecticut, but he had not found any handwriting similar to MEAD'S.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

NEW YORK OFFICE

Will make arrangements to obtain information as to the possibility of NICK THE GREEK being a contact for Subject MEAD, as set forth in the report of Special Agent T. E. Billings, Los Angeles, California, March 12, 1936.

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